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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 3rd MAY, 1940 at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1939, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 17th APRIL to 3rd MAY, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager,
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1940.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Thirty-fifth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building, on Monday, the 22nd April, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

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DODWELL & COMPANY
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The Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, 5th Floor, on Thursday, 11th April, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, 8th April, to Thursday, 11th, 1940, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LARPAK & CO.
General Managers,
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1940.

Hitler Drops A Grandiose Scheme

Old Age Pensions Plan To Be Held Up

BERLIN, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Hitler's grandiose old age pensions scheme which was announced with a great flourish of trumpets in the press last February is not to be introduced until after the war, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Neue Zürcher Zeitung".

This means that the plan to use the new pension contributions, which were to have been levied on all insured persons over the age of sixteen, for State financing, has been abandoned owing to public reaction. The correspondent adds that the idea of instituting forced savings also appears to have been abandoned.

STOCK EXCHANGE STEADY

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange opened quietly and was steady. Later the market tended to ease on lack of support though gold-mining shares resisted the downward trend.

After the close, the I.C.I. declared a final dividend of five per cent., thereby maintaining the year's distribution of eight per cent.

RECONSTRUCTION OF EUROPE

BRUSSELS, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—An executive of the Labour Socialist International meeting here has appointed a small committee to prepare the groundwork for a programme for the reconstruction of Europe after the war.

The Committee includes Mr. Noel Baker (Britain), M. Leon Blum (France) and M. Huysman (Belgium).

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of April, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	No. 4239	Junction of Ma Tau Chung Road and Ma Tau Chung Road, Ma Tau Chung.	N. 300 feet, E. 300 feet, S. 300 feet, W. 300 feet.	3,720	\$42	\$7,200
			As per sale plan.			

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of April, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Boundary Street, Ma Tau Wei, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
2	No. 2782	Junction of Boundary Street and College Road.	N. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, W. 100 feet.	16,000	\$184	\$7,200
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In GERMANY Now

HOW is the foreign traveller received in Germany? His experience varies from place to place and with one person and another—but all in all he is not too welcome. One who has just returned to Holland looked up in the Rhineland an old friend who was formerly an active trade unionist, now out of work and wondering where his next meal was coming from.

"What are you doing here?" he asked.
"Well, I want to know how you are."
"Totally... damned rotten. And if I am seen talking to a foreigner I shall be arrested and things will be even worse. So I'm delighted to see you—and you had better be off, believe me."

When I went to an hotel (adds this traveller), and had no ration card, I felt they begrudged me what little food they gave me. It was merely the choice between potatoes and an egg. Plenty of bread, beer or wine.

Next day, I found a Wuppertal industrialist most friendly, but he scrupulously avoided the subject of the war, except for a few remarks about conditions on the home front.

"Don't think I am unkind," he said, "but I will not invite you to a meal. We have very little to spare. But you can have any amount of excellent wine with me. You see," with a sigh, "this is a sort of luxury period while it lasts."

Food—On Paper

HIS wife added some details of her own difficulties. Apart from food, the soap and textile shortage dislocates the smooth running of every home.

"If you ate with us," she said, "we should have no tablecloth or napkins. We use paper ones now. Something must be sacrificed to keep our allowances of soap for absolute essentials."

Rationing is enforced on most commodities in everyday use in the home. For all kinds of food, each person has 108 ration coupons per month. Taking the population as 80,000,000 Germans, this means that about 8,500,000,000 coupons must

Mr. Eden Inspects Canadians

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, the Secretary for the Dominions, flew to an R.A.F. station in south-west England to-day to inspect the army co-operation squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Force in training there.

After inspecting the squadron, Mr. Eden said it was obvious that the men were ready and eager for any task they might be called on to perform.

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One of the food queues that can be seen in most parts of Germany to-day.

be handed over to grocers, bakers and butchers every month, sorted and passed on to some central organisation. This does not include butter or fat cards which are stamped in the shops with each sale.

Window Dressing

YET despite the fact that hundreds of small shops have closed through lack of supplies, those that remain put up a wonderful show to the casual passer-by. But the packets that seem to be tea, coffee, butter and so on are all dummies.

And the smart clothes in the big stores of Berlin and other cities cannot be bought by any casual shopper who has forgotten his or her textile ration card.

Wives stand most mornings of the week spending in queues for their food allowances. They cannot plan any meal in advance, for they never know on which day any particular product will be available. Most cheerless day is the one on which the one egg per person per week can be had, and the egg proves, on arrival home, to be bad!

Still Wheels

PETROL rationing has quieted the streets of Berlin and other cities. Only one in ten of privately-owned cars is granted a permit for use. In the busy industrial district of Rhein-Wupper, when it was found that the proportion was 15 per cent., a few days ago, 600 cars were ordered off the roads.

Coal shortage, the result of transport disorganisation, has caused the greatest hardships so

to express. Most people have some acquaintance who has been in trouble through an unwary word at some time.

Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Poland have proved bitter disappointments to the man-in-the-street, who thought they would solve Germany's problems of want. But he dare not say so.

Why No Masks?

BLACK-OUT is enforced throughout Germany with varying degrees of severity. Few people have gas-masks.

Two explanations are given for this, (1) that Britain and France would never use gas on civilians, (2) that Germany has not enough rubber to spare to make gas-masks for the whole population.

In industry there is rumbling but unexpressed discontent. Wages are low deductions are high and working families have nothing to spare for any amusement or small luxuries.

When signs of open discontent appear some small sop is given. A minor wage increase is granted or there is a promise of holidays to come. The increase frequently proves illusory through the addition of some new tax a few weeks later.

Thousands of shopkeepers and former non-productive workers have been cajoled into industrial work by promises, or driven in by threats.

Biggest Grouse

BOYS of 16 are working in the heavy industries of the Ruhr, and when their health shows signs of breaking they are packed off to what were once the luxury hotels of foreign visitors to German spas, now used as rest homes.

Workers in all big firms are compelled to eat at the works canteens. It is considered wasteful for hot meals to be prepared in private houses—but no account is taken of the feelings of wives and children in this matter.

Among all the grumbles inevitable in Germany, what is the main grumble of the moment? Observers agree in saying that there is particular bitterness about the way young Nazis of military age stick to soft jobs at home.

Their actions and behaviour have led to much ill-feeling and some incidents. Reports say that within the past week they have been warned, from high up in the party, to act with less insolence towards the long-suffering non-uniformed members of the public and their wives. Such is Germany after nearly five months of war.

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MAGAZINE PAGE

by **SIR KINGSLEY WOOD**



We sincerely regret it, and we are doing our best to reduce it to a minimum.

But we feel that we are justified in asking those who are affected to remember that we are not only fighting for our existence as a nation but also for the existence of all those principles without which life would not be worth living.

We would urge them, when they feel the inconvenience that is necessarily imposed by war on

Russia has swallowed up a third of Poland. She has established an undisputed mastery over the Baltic States, hitherto regarded by Germany as an essential part of her living space.

No wonder doubts are spreading among the people of Germany, doubts which were fostered and intensified by the arrival of the German exiles from the Baltic States. It is not only that, but she has seen the virtual dissolution of the anti-Communist group which she had so laboriously built up.

WE MUST WIN!

neutral States, to ponder also the alternative of the whole of Europe suffering the unspeakable horrors which are even now being perpetrated on the unhappy Polish people.

There is, in fact, a gulf between our own and Nazi conceptions that cannot be bridged. We believe—and we have in the British Empire a great and living example—that all nations, big and small, should not only live peacefully side by side but that they can and should all work together for the advancement of the common well-being.

Our system of international relations is based upon the respect of rights and sovereignty of other nations, however small and however weak. Hitler's conception, as we have seen, is that the rights of other nations are to be measured not by justice or their individual contributions to civilization but by their armed strength alone.

The whole world has indeed witnessed how, without excuse or pause, Hitler has carefully planned and ruthlessly carried out his attacks on one small State after another, and then outraged and enslaved them. They will rise again.

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THERE is no possible doubt that the conditions in German-occupied Poland are simply abominable. They are far worse than in Russian-occupied Poland.

The Vatican broadcast of January 22 spoke of "the horror and inexcusable excesses committed on a helpless and homeless people" which has been "established by the unimpeachable testimony of eye-witnesses."

German methods in occupied Poland since September have passed through two phases. They tried first to terrorise the population by shooting individuals picked at random from the towns. In Konin, for instance, they decided to shoot thirty-five people, and then, finding they were short of one, went into a chemist's shop and seized the first person they found.

They then realised that these methods would not avail them and lead nowhere, and they decided to decimate the natural leaders of the national movement—the Polish Government estimates the number already shot at 15,000.

There have, indeed, been cases of actual torture. Conditions in the concentration camps are appalling. Religion is systematically persecuted. The crowning iniquity, in the words of the Vatican broadcast, "lies in the cynical suppression of all but the merest suggestion of religious worship in the lives of one of the most pious and devoted of the peoples of Europe."

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IT is no wonder there is uneasiness in Germany to-day.

Prolonged repression and individual privations also do not make for confidence and gaiety. Her deteriorating financial and economic position cannot provoke anything but serious concern amongst many of the German people.

But there is another and more compelling cause of Germany's uneasy state of mind. It lies in Germany's connection with Soviet Russia. The scale of their understanding is unknown outside the Kremlin and the inner circles of the Nazi party.

It may be wide or it may be narrow, but one thing is certain, and that is that it will be broken just as soon as it suits the books of Germany to break it. There is another matter. Not even Ribbentrop would suggest that Germany has drawn any great advantage either political or material from this uneasy partnership.

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PHOTONEWS



WATCH ON BRITAIN'S COAST

BECAUSE invasion of Britain from the sea is not regarded by the British man-in-the-street as a serious possibility, little is known of Britain's coastal defence batteries.

But these batteries not only exist—they are a constant challenge to an invader and they form a vital part of the country's defences.

During the last war only one or two batteries on the east coast came into action, but to-day the watch on the coast goes on day and night. The guns are manned by the Royal Artillery and the searchlights by the Royal Engineers. All were, before the war, members of the Territorial Army and to-day the batteries they serve are for the most part on the

coasts of their own native counties.

At all times there has been a steady and sufficient flow of recruits, many of whom are veteran gunners who did service on the various battle fronts in the last war and whose experience now serves them well. Their training and readiness to serve releases younger men for more active service.

THOUGH many veterans of the last war are included in the ranks, the standard of physical fitness required is high as the men have to be on duty in all weathers and also have the heavy task of loading the guns.

The batteries are placed at strategic points along Britain's coastline. They are equipped with close defence and counter bombardment guns. Their combined strength had turned Britain into a fortress, safe from sea attack on its shores.

Monotony is the coast watcher's greatest enemy, as the opportunity to bring the guns into play may never occur, but the coastal batteries are, nevertheless, a vital part of the home defences.

CAPTIONS:

- 1.—Observation and control post.
- 2.—Loading a gun.
- 3.—One of the Lbx guns in action.
- 4.—Watching results of shell fire.
- 5.—A picture typifying the constant watch that is being kept at each of these Coastal Batteries.

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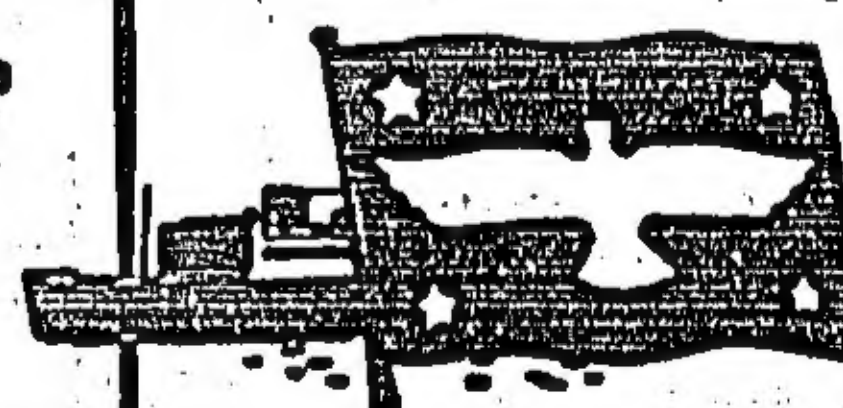
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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

April 6, 1890.
It is estimated that 250,000 miners have struck work. The duration of the strike is doubtful as there are some signs of a concession. In South Stafford and East Worcester, the miners refused to join the movement.

25 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1915.
Reuter's Capetown correspondent states that the Union forces have captured an important success, occupying, without opposition, Warmbad in German South-West Africa. Warmbad is situated just inside the frontier between the Cape Colony and German South-West Africa.

10 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1930.
The Great War cost the United States of America approximately a loss sum of \$361,400,000, according to figures compiled by the Treasury Department on the eve of the anniversary of the American declaration of war.

The Nanking Mandate ordering a punitive expedition against Marshal Huai-shan, issued by the State Council this morning, states that unanimous decision has been reached by the Nationalist leaders for the arrest and punishment of Marshal Yen.

5 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1935.
Signor Mussolini suggests, the formulation of a three-power policy between Britain, France and Italy with respect to Germany's repudiation of the Treaty of Versailles. He would have these three nations agreed upon the tactics they are to adopt towards Germany at the coming session of the League of Nations Council.

The Lithuanian Government has despatched a note protesting against "the interference of Germany in the internal affairs of Lithuania."

"The reason for my conviction that there will be no major war in this generation is my observation that the awakened national sentiment is providing just that note of reality and power which has been needed to make effective and practical the economic intelligence underlying Communism and Socialism, and the R. P. H. O. Hall, Bishop of Victoria, in the course of his presidential address at the annual meeting of the Hongkong branch of the League of Nations Society at the Helena May Institute.



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Fish Over-Cooked, Makes It Tough, Insipid

By JUDITH WILSON

NOWHERE is good cookery more important than in the preparation of fish. Even so simple a dish as fried fillet has to be done just so to taste right. The most common mistake in preparing fish is over-cooking. Fish should be cooked just until tender and sometimes the amount of time required for this is unbelievably short. A 4-pound piece of fish, for example, should cook in 20 minutes. Fish fillets fry done from 3 to 5 minutes.

The use of more fish in menus calls for a few hints on fish cookery. Fish is best when seasoned well with salt, pepper and lemon. Cooking in water to which vinegar or lemon juice, plus salt have been added, keeps fish firm and white. The use of plenty of vegetables—carrots, onions, celery, potatoes—will also improve the flavor. Chefs even go a step beyond this, adding a bay leaf and a few peppercorns to the water for additional seasoning. Do likewise and you will achieve something truly delectable in the fish line.

FILED FILLET OF FLOUNDER

Separate fillet of flounder and roll in seasoned flour. Fry in small amount of hot fat in heavy skillet 3 to 5 minutes, turning to brown both sides. Garnish with lemon slices and parsley.

A salad with a sharp or sour dressing is needed to go with fish. Suitable salads include cabbage, lettuce, endive, asparagus, water cress, tomato, cucumber and mixed vegetable salad. Rye, corn bread or graham rolls are good with fish. The ability to cook the same fish gradually hot milk. Stir until boiling in a variety of delicious ways is the mark of a finished cook. Instead of having fried fillet again next time, try baking it this way.

BAKED FILLET OF FLOUNDER

3 or 4 thin fillets
Melted butter
1 onion, chopped fine
1 stalk celery, chopped fine
Salt and pepper
1/2 cup dried bread crumbs
2 tablespoons melted butter
2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese
Cut fillet of flounder in portions and dip each piece in melted butter. Combine chopped onion and chopped celery. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Spread over top of fish. To bread crumbs add 2 tablespoons melted butter and Parmesan cheese. Top dish with these crumbs and bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 40 minutes.

FILLETS BAKED IN CHEESE SAUCE

Fillet of flounder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
Juice of half a lemon
1 small onion, minced
2 tablespoons celery, chopped
2 tablespoons melted butter
1 cup hot water
2 tablespoons melted butter
2 tablespoons flour
1 cup hot milk
1/4 cup grated cheese
Divide fillets into individual portions. Sprinkle with salt, pepper and lemon juice. Cover with chopped onion, celery and parsley. Pour around it the hot water, cover dish and bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) 10 minutes. Melt butter, add flour and when blended, add gradually hot milk. Stir until boiling, then add all but 2 tablespoons grated cheese. Pour sauce over fish, sprinkling the rest of cheese on top of dish. Bake in oven, uncovered, for 10 minutes longer.

ROLLED FILLETS

Fillet of flounder
1 lb. spinach
1 small onion, finely chopped
1 tablespoon butter
Salt to taste
1 egg, well beaten
Dry bread crumbs
Roll fillets with salt, pepper and onion. Spread with butter. Roll around it the hot water, cover dish and bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) 10 minutes. Melt butter, add flour and when blended, add gradually hot milk. Stir until boiling, then add all but 2 tablespoons grated cheese. Pour sauce over fish, sprinkling the rest of cheese on top of dish. Bake in oven, uncovered, for 10 minutes longer.

DINNERS
Tomato Juice
Baked Fillet of Flounder
Creamed Spinach
Stuffed Baked Potato
Pickled Beet Salad
Frosted Devil's Food Cake
Coffee

Fillet Baked in Cheese Sauce
Buttered Onions
Parsley Potato Balls
Buttered Carrots
Lettuce Salad
Apple Sauce Cake Tea or Coffee

Cook spinach with onion; drain, chop and add butter and salt. When cool, add beaten egg and enough bread crumbs to hold mixture together. Spread some of mixture on each fillet, being careful not to get mixture too near edges. Roll and fasten fillets. Cover bottom of baking dish with oil and put fillets in cut side up. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 40 minutes.

Broiled or fried fish fillets are tasty served with mayonnaise to which a little lemon juice and mustard have been added. Or try caper sauce, made by adding 1/3 cup capers to one cup of white sauce.

Beauty Hints

DON'T allow the muscles of the body to become flabby. Exercise them, for firm muscles greatly add to the appearance of youth.

Don't think your duty done when you have brushed the hair. Remember the scalp must be massaged and kept free from excessive oil.

Don't forget that health is the foundation of beauty, and she who builds her temple upon a less sound foundation must expect but the fragments saved from the ruins caused by neglect.

Don't forget to visit your dentist at least twice yearly. Bad teeth not only bring bad health but mar your beauty, while good, strong white teeth make your smile a pleasure not only to yourself, but to all with whom you come in contact.

Don't allow the hands to grow old. Unless they are well cared for, they will more readily betray the age than does the face. Daily care will keep them young and beautiful.

Don't sleep in a room from which fresh air has been excluded. Open windows, for the lungs need plenty of clean, fresh air, and the oxygen it supplies the body is vital.

Hats And Coats

Try these hats with your spring coat. If it has white lingerie trim, by all means try a white hat, or one so laden with white that the crisp air of the coat is repeated. With navy or black, red or green bretons look fine. With gray coats, we suggest matching gray felt, trimmed with white plique for flattery. And the natural covers look well with black hats—especially patent leather in a trim sailor.

Smart Upswept Curls

By JACQUELINE HUNT

"YOU say that gray hair is lovely—but then you probably do not have it! I look twenty years older since my hair turned gray," writes one of my readers. Perhaps every woman who has started to lose the youthful brightness of her hair feels the same way—unfortunately! Gray hair in itself isn't ageing. It's what goes with it—unimaginative coiffures that seem to flatten the head and drag down the contours of the face; skin that has become sallow and dull; ugly, matronly dresses; a certain dreariness in mental outlook. Dress your hair properly, wake up your lazy skin, use your make-up more wisely, and dress appropriately and your gray hair will give you distinction.

You've heard that the older woman needs a soft halo to soften her mature features, so you usually have your hair waved on top dipped over your forehead and the ends set in ringlets that fall below your ears. The effect is just the opposite of anything you want. Horizontal waves widen the face. Even when neatly groomed, the downward lines over the ears and in the back tend to thicken and shorten your neck and give the facial contours a drooping appearance even when they are actually youthful and firm. Hair about the face and ears robs even your lovely features of importance.

If you are in your forties, look into a new halo. Lift your hair from your temples and have some soft up-standing curls or rolls on top and you'll lift ten years from your face. See that your best features get a break. If your ears are nice, show them. Show your forehead. It seems to give a youthful eagerness to your entire face. If the contours of your head are good and you have a nice neck, have your hair swirled close to your head in the back. This doesn't mean stungled, but thinned sufficiently so there are no bulky curls or straggling ends to spoil your chic appearance.

If you need curls on your neck to hide a poor hairline, have them, but keep them big and smooth. A few big, smooth curls can be just as softening and they're much smarter than many small ringlets. Even though you have always taken care of your skin and have kept it reasonably smooth and fine, in texture, you may discover that it has taken on a drab tone. See what you can do to liven it with a stimulating cream mask. See what the right powder base will do for you, too. A tinted cream type base with some rose in it will give you



Long Coat Ensemble

Here is the long coat crepe ensemble, an important type for the new season, in this instance combining navy and rose, with belting ribbon for a tailored treatment. Note the pockets—also a 1940 detail.

skin a pleasing uniformity of colour and warmth. Because it blends so much more subtly, learn to use a cream type rouge matched to your basic skin tones—rose red, orange-red or clear. Use only a hint of the colour and keep it high on your cheekbones and out toward the temples. Rouge placed too low tends to shade and give your face a drooping look. Make up your eyes with the greatest care. Heavy, dark eyebrows are for the very young and very beautiful. If your brows are naturally heavy and dark, tweeze stray hairs from below the arch and from over your nose to give the brows well groomed lines. If you must darken them, experiment with a little mascara on a brush, so you'll get the colour directly on the hairs. If this isn't so successful, use a pencil, but have a long tip on it and hold it almost parallel with the brow so the crayon colours only the hair—no marks on the skin. Heavy or black eyebrows are ageing and ugly.

SHORT CUTS

A handful of salt in the dishwasher will remove the odour of fish from dishes and utensils.

Sterilized, old tooth brushes make fine implements for cleaning embossed silver.

To drive a nail into plaster without cracking the plaster, heat the nail.

Going down the basement stairs is made ever so much more safe by painting the bottom cellar step white.

Before measuring molasses, dip the measuring spoon or cup in scalding water and the molasses will run out easily.

Tea is made from the top three leaves of an evergreen bush which would grow to a height of 20 feet if it were not pruned.

Line the silver drawer with plush, to prevent scratching the pieces, and noise when drawer is opened and closed.

Thumb tacks should be placed at the back of shelves to hold any standing dishes.

To keep bread and cake boxes sweet and clean, wipe the inside with a cloth wrung out in vinegar and water. Dry thoroughly with a clean towel.

To remove wine stains from table linen, use a pair of embroidery hoops to hold the fabric surrounding the stains taut and pour boiling water through the stains. Dry and launder as usual.

THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Society asks for \$35,000

In 1940 to meet the increasing needs of sick and destitute children in Hong Kong, against which the income to date is \$12,000 only. In order to continue its work, the Society appeals for the balance of \$23,000 before the close of the financial year on 31st October. A copy of the Annual Report for 1939 may be obtained from:

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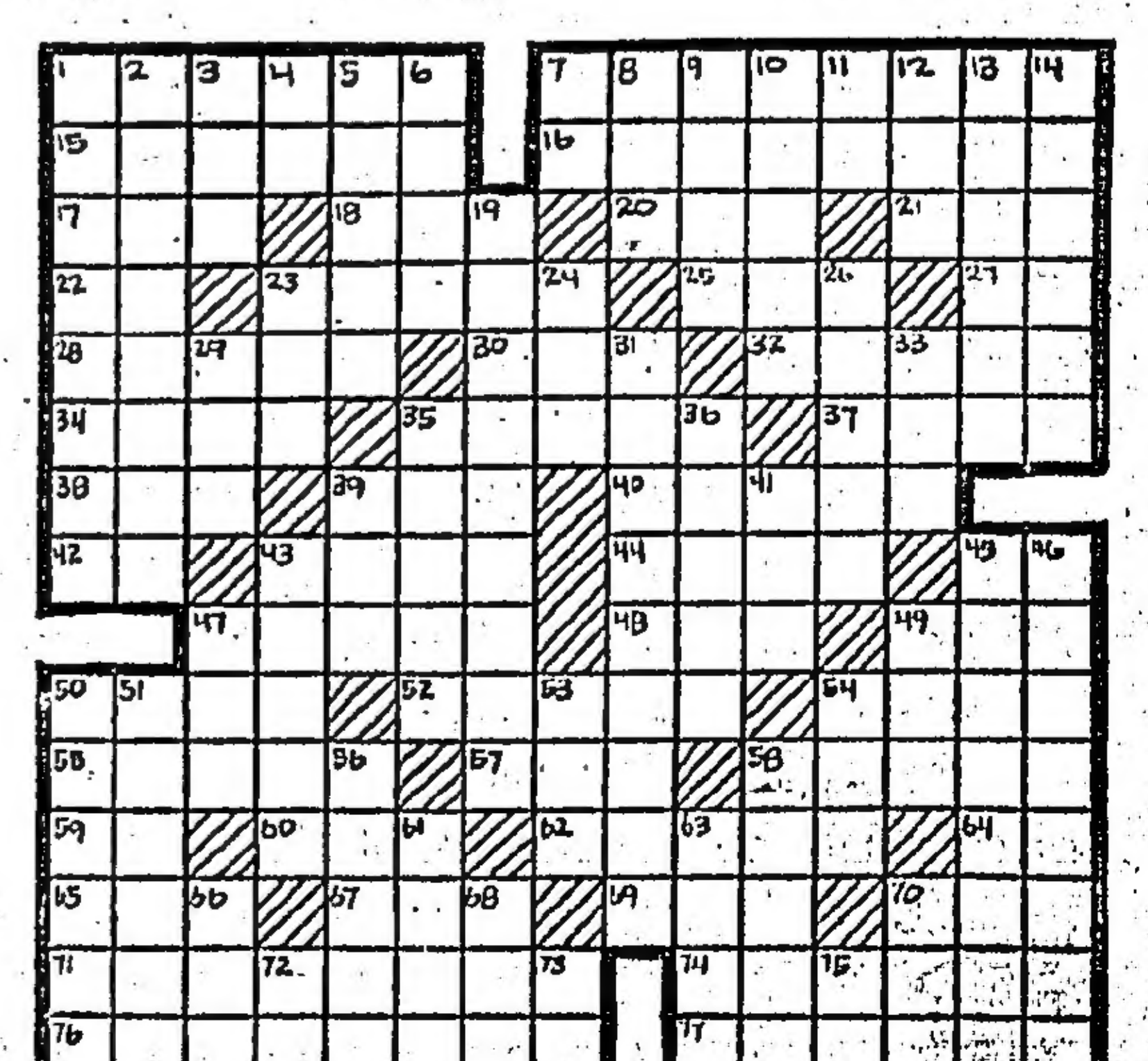
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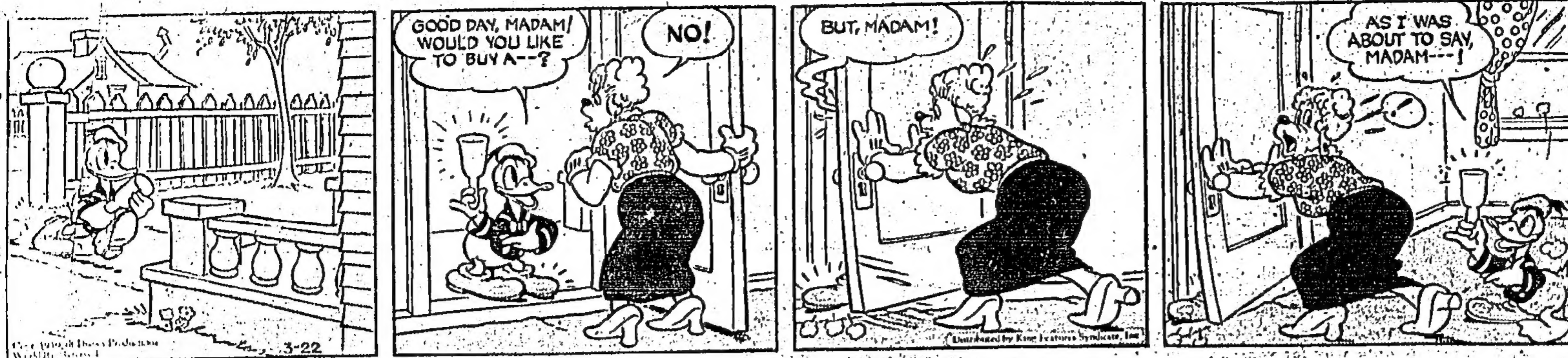
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1—Works
2—To en
3—Gallic
4—Straw
5—Hail
6—Sound of impact
7—Unimpaired
8—Printer's unit
9—Enriched car
10—Vermont
11—Alter of Irish
12—Bran
13—Molecule
14—Small horse
15—Successful
16—Part of poem
17—Pretal from
18—Lago
19—Exten
20—Mistral
21—Intersected
22—Pence (Latin)
23—Wild incursion
24—Hill plums
25—Fete
26—Turkish noble
27—Almanac
28—Irish cloak
29—Concerning
30—Meal
31—Chilopod
32—Leaf 22 cm
33—Epoch
34—Over and touching
35—Flow from
36—Kind of fish
37—Bird's nest
38—Bird's Scottish
39—Bird's nest
40—Fruit drink
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42—Layer of tiles
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DONALD DUCK



By Walt Disney

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Mystery 'British' Radio Pirate Attacks Britain

HE'S WAITING FOR THE NAZIS



An Australian soldier practising with a machine-gun before leaving for active service.

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA FOR THE RESERVISTS

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

CANBERRA. The late Sir Charles Kingsford Smith's famous plane, the Southern Cross, which was reported to be falling to pieces in a shed at Mascot, through lack of care, will not be housed in the National War Museum at Canberra.

It was explained officially on Monday that the War Memorial Board of Management could not accept exhibits other than relics of the last war. The Director of Civil Aviation denied that the Southern Cross, in which the late Sir Charles Kingsford Smith made several famous record flights, was lying neglected, as reported at Canberra. Mr. Corbett explained the Government had purchased the plane, intended to place it in a memorial hangar, housing relics showing the progress of Australian aviation, but, because of the war, and the fact that such a building would cost several thousand pounds, the project had been postponed.

COMMUNIST PARTY

BUNDABERG. The City Council has agreed to a motion urging the Federal Government to have the Communist Party declared an illegal organisation. A motion brought forward at the request of the Ealing Shire Council, which recently made a similar decision, was carried on the casting vote by the Mayor (Alderman F. Duns).

SLIGHT EARTHQUAKE

MELBOURNE. Several Melbourne suburbs experienced a slight earth tremor at 5 a.m. today. The tremor was accompanied by a trembling noise which awoke many people. In one or two instances crockery falling from shelves was reported.

TAIROA SAILORS

MELBOURNE. News of the release of the Altmark captives was received on Monday with joy by relatives of several Sydney and Melbourne men. Mrs. Katherine O'Brien, of Brunswick, received the following message from her son, who was a member of the Tairoa's crew: "Arrived in England, safe, Pat."

Mrs. E. Evans, of South Melbourne, also learned that her son, George Kenneth John Evans, also a member of the Tairoa's crew, was safe. He was 20 and was making his first voyage.

STUBBS SETS RECORD

SYDNEY. A. J. Stubbs (South Sydney) created a world's record by walking a mile in 6min. 16.4sec. at the Sports Ground on Saturday. He was competing on the first day of the State track and field championships.

J. P. Metcalfe won his 21st State championship. He won the running broad jump by clearing 22ft. 10in.

and retained the javelin throw with an effort of 100ft. 3in.

P. Eades won the 40 yards championship in 40.4sec. This time has been bettered only once in a State title race, although it is 1.6sec. outside the Australian record.

A great battle in the 120 yards hurdles championship resulted in F. E. Popplewell taking an inches victory from his former club mate, S. G. Stennot, last year's winner.

KIMBER V. NEGUS

MELBOURNE. Al. Kimber (9.12/4) of Sydney, caused a surprise by stopping Wm. Negus (10.2/4) in the eighth round of a 12-round match at the Melbourne Stadium on Saturday night. He is the first to score a knockout over Negus. Kimber, who arrived only today, lived up to his reputation of having a good left hand, but did not use it as often or as boldly as Stennot had against Negus. However, when it landed it had plenty of snap, while his right, particularly in the last few rounds, carried more pep than many suspected.

Sang "Roll Out Barrel" As Ship Sank

WHILE their ship was turning turtle and they were sliding down her hull, with the aid of a knotted rope, to reach a lifeboat, seamen of the London tanker British Triumph (8,501 tons) sang "Roll Out the Barrel."

"It was the third officer who got the song going," said one of the 21 survivors landed at Grimsby.

The British Triumph was damaged by an explosion late on Monday night. In two hours she capsized.

Twenty-one other men, including the captain, were landed at another port. Five men are missing.

Boy's Second Escape

Arthur Marshall, the 16-year-old assistant radio operator, who had recently joined the ship after recovering from an injury received when the steamer San Callisto was blown up in December, was saved.

"Two exciting adventures," the boy said. "But they don't scare me. I'll be looking for another ship soon."

Rowing for their lives in a foot-deep layer of burning oil 30 men

'STOP THE WAR' TIRADE

A NEW mystery radio station, announcing itself as the New British Broadcasting Station, is on the air.

The programme opened with Loth Lomond, played slowly on a piano. In thin, deliberate tones the English announcer then said:

"You are listening to the New British Broadcasting Station, which you will hear transmitting four times a night. We address ourselves to every Britisher who loves his country, no matter what party he belongs to."

Then he started with a bitter anti-British and "stop the war" tirade. Again and again came phrases familiar to Britons who listen to German broadcasts. Here are some of them: "They speak of splitting Germany into fragments and making those Nazis too the line. They do not realise that a strong nation will never give up its idea of unity once it is established in the hearts of the people."

Powerful Transmitter

"Humiliation and even defeat at the hands of a foreign Power can only increase the unity of a political party. Why are we fighting? Because Germany's new economic and financial system cuts across the principles of international capitalism and threatens the destruction of international Jewry."

Radio experts said they doubted if the broadcast could have been made with a portable mobile transmitter of the type necessarily used by a pirate broadcaster.

It is more likely that it was given from a powerful foreign transmitter using an unauthorised wavelength. The strength and steadiness of reception could not have been achieved by a small transmitting unit.

The broadcast ended with the very quick playing of "God Save the King."

An official of the B.B.C. said: "This is the first time this new station has cropped up. Its first transmission we heard indifferently, but we shall go on listening to it to see what these broadcasters are up to."

"At present it is impossible to establish where it is coming from."

M.P. says that most M.P.s are career hunters

MR. ANDREW McLAREN, Socialist M.P. for Burslem, told a meeting of the London Scots Self-Government Committee that the majority of people who entered Parliament were career hunters.

"What a fine thing it would be," he said, "if you went home quietly one night and told your wife 'I am a Cabinet Minister.'"

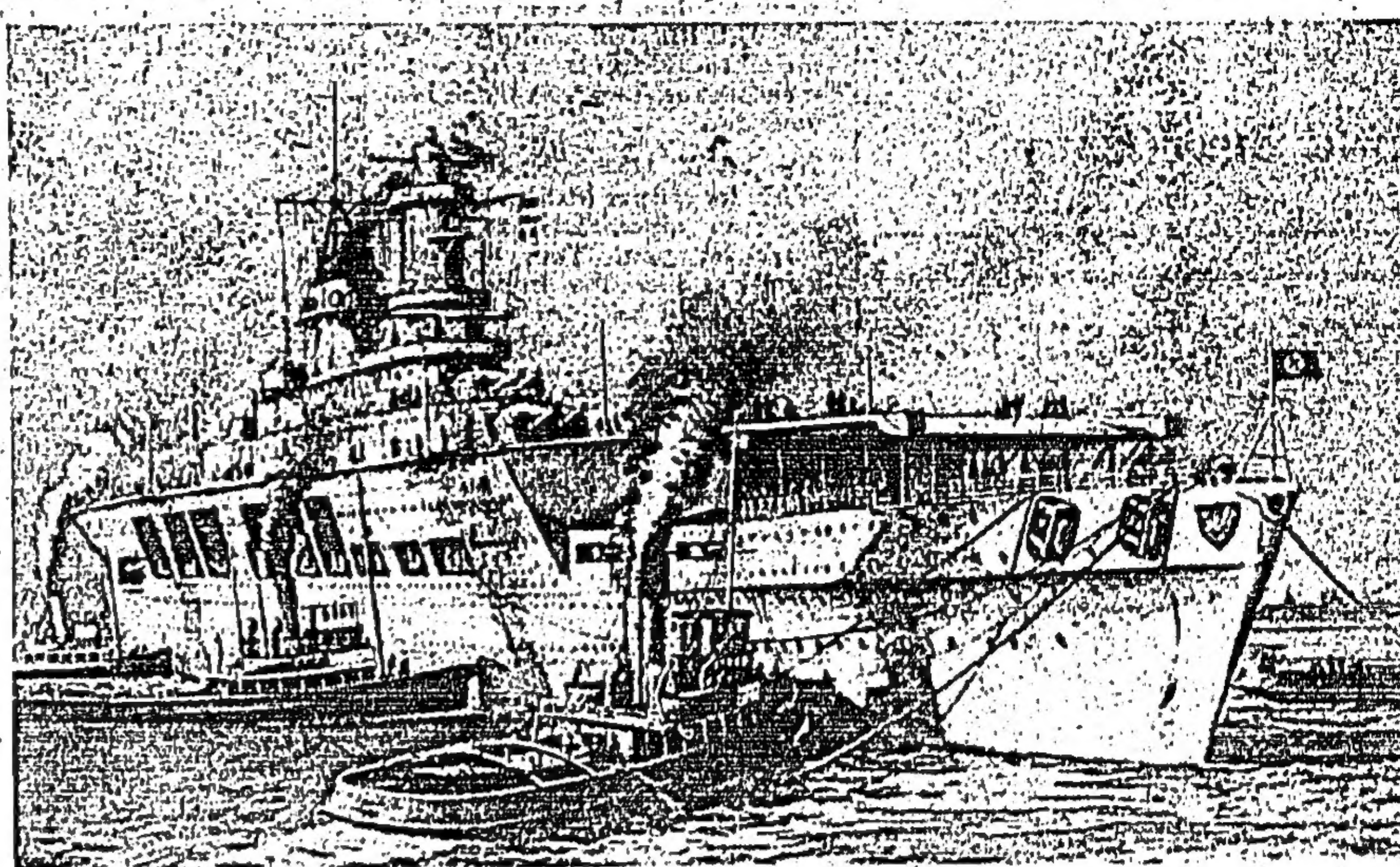
"When the Socialist Party first got into office there was a very obvious attitude of 'at last we have arrived.' The conceits and contortions of the poor creatures that formed that Government were pathetic."

Mr. McLaren also asserted that there are more cheep in London than in the countryside.

One had only to look at the people who stared vacantly and stupidly outside a fashionable church at a wedding which they knew nothing about to realise that.

Thirteen men are missing. When the crew of the Swedish steamer Dalara (3,927 tons) was landed at an Irish port yesterday it was confirmed that the vessel had been torpedoed by a U-boat which afterwards shelled it.

HERE IS THE NAZIS NEW AIRCRAFT CARRIER



An artist's impression of the Graf Zeppelin, the first aircraft carrier of the Nazi Navy, nearing completion at Kiel.

Risked Death at 15,000-ft. for A Thrill

Canadian Said: "It was so grand up there"

By ANDRE MAUROIS

"THESE YOUNG PILOTS THAT THE DOMINIONS ARE SENDING US," SAID THE COMMANDER OF THE SCHOOL "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE," "ARE SPLENDID . . . BUT SOMETIMES A LITTLE FRIGHTENING."

"The other day I sent one up to do his height test. We forbade him to go above 10,000ft. without oxygen. The weather was marvellous—bright sunshine and a sky as blue as any sky of Italy."

"When he got up our young Canadian was as intoxicated with the purity of it all as a lark or a spring poet; so he went on climbing . . . 12,000ft. . . 15,000. . . And then, doubtless, his head failed him and he dived flat out."

"Pilots are advised to straighten up when they reach a certain height, but when 'decent' is so rapid, the needle lag behind the altitude and this young man got nearly to the ground at full speed."

"When I saw this meteor approaching, my knees sagged a little and I said to myself, 'Poor little devil. That's that.' But that was not that."

Without Mishap

"Our Canadian landed with a shocking din of trembling stays and metal, but without mishap. Once reassured, naturally lost my temper, had him brought in, and said:

"That was all merely stupid. What good did it do? Now you've got an appalling headache."

"Sorry, sir," he said, but I haven't a headache."

"You've split an ear-drum then? Sorry, sir," he said again, but I've not split an ear-drum."

"Well, in any case, you've behaved in a ridiculous manner. I see that now, sir," he said, but it was so grand up there."

"At that moment a young man saluted us as he passed."

"That's rather a curious case," said the Commodore. "He's a young actor, who, without ever having been up in an aeroplane, had a part in a propaganda film, 'The Lion Has Wings.' And he liked the part so much that as soon as the film was finished, he took up flying."

"All of which goes to make excellent pilots."

TROUSSEAUX RATIONED BY NAZIS

By WILLI FRISCHAUER

SPECIAL ration cards for trousseaux and "bottom drawers" are now being issued in Germany.

Before a bride-to-be is given a card a registrar must confirm officially that the banns for her marriage have been put up.

Brides who make their own trousseau can obtain threads and needles to the value of 9d. in excess of their normal ration.

AUSTRIA, where rationing is more severe than in most parts of greater Germany, now has "black markets" for foodstuffs. Fancy prices are being paid for poultry sold without ration cards—£5 for a large goose and £1 5s. for a chicken are typical.

RUMANIA TO SEND OIL TO JAPAN

TOKYO.

A barter agreement has been concluded between Japan and Rumania, under which, the Domei News Agency understands, a "special Rumanian product" will be exchanged for Japanese cotton piece goods and other exports.

The "special product" concerned, adds the agency, is in great demand in Europe—an obvious reference to oil.

The agreement provides that Rumania shall take Japanese goods up to a designated percentage of Japan's imports of the Rumanian product.

The percentage is a secret, but it is believed that it will enable Japan to exceed her previous quota of exports to Rumania. The agency adds:

"The new agreement is noteworthy in view of Rumania's previous refusal to make this product, the subject of any barter arrangement."

BROKE JAIL, LEARNED SECRET

—Then went back

GLASGOW.

ROBERT BERRY GILLESPIE, hunted for seventeen days after breaking from Perth Prison, gave in, and said: "I have found out what I escaped to discover."

He added: "I am quite satisfied. I am now willing to go back."

He spoke these words to his brother, to whose house at Strathaven, Lanarkshire, he had gone, exhausted and bearded.

With his brother, an hour later, he walked into Strathaven Police Station.

The brother said afterwards: "The sergeant in charge, who knew Bertie, said: 'This is not Bertie.'"

"Apparently he didn't know him in his altered condition. He then looked at his photograph, compared it, and decided to accept him as the escaped prisoner."

The brother's wife said that Bertie was engaged to a girl before he was arrested.

She said he had been very worried because they had not enough money to set up a home, and, I think, that was the cause of him getting into trouble."

Robert Gillespie, aged twenty-three, was serving an eighteen months' sentence for housebreaking.

Eagle Hits Plane, Sets It On Fire

Flying at 8,000ft., an eagle hit one of the propellers of an Australian air liner on its way to Adelaide, South Australia. The plane caught fire.

Manoeuvring to keep the flames from the cabin, Captain N. Croucher brought his machine down in a paddock seven minutes later.

Eleven passengers and the crew of three were uninjured.

ARCHBISHOP'S COMMITTEE DECIDED—

SPIRITUALISM IS TRUE ("Says The Psychic News")

"THE Church of England, by nine votes to three, has decided that Spiritualism is true," says the "Psychic News."

"The nine were all the influential members of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Committee on spiritualism."

The three, who are described as unimportant and unknown, merely reserved their opinion.

The signatories to the majority report, it is stated, include such distinguished men as:—

Dr. William Brown, the celebrated psychologist;

Dr. W. R. Matthews, Dean of St. Paul's;

Canon H. Anson, Master of the Temple; and

Canon Laurence William Grensted of Oxford, Examining Chaplain to the Archbishop of York.

"Unauthorised and inaccurate," replied the Primate's chaplain.

"Whatever conclusion the committee may have arrived at," says the Bishop of Bath and Wells, chairman of the committee, "it could not commit the Church of England."

Hundreds of clergymen are now pressing the Primate to publish the report, which has been held back for over a year, for the reasons, as explained some weeks ago by his chaplain, that "further investigation was required," and that "premature publication would be liable to give rise to misunderstanding."

"Time is Ripe"

The "Psychic News" adds:—"The committee was appointed about three years ago after the Rev. G. Maurice Elliott and Dr. Francis Underhill, then Dean of Rochester, had now Bishop of Bath and Wells, had interviewed the Archbishop of York and pleaded that the time was ripe for the Church of England to investigate Spiritualism."

Soon after, the Primate set up a committee consisting of members of the clergy, representatives of science, law and philosophy, appointing Dr. Underhill as chairman.

Their sole aim, in the words of the Bishop of Bath and Wells, was "to arrive at truth."

For over two years, the committee sat with mediums, sometimes with a famous European diplomat who had championed spiritualism, heard witnesses, and examined the evidence.

Bench Refused His £1—In Coppers

"I'll go and fetch it," said Augustus Newman John Davies, a 19-year-old farmer, of Brook Farm, Marden, when he was fined £1 at Hereford police court.

He returned and handed to the magistrates' clerk £1 worth of coppers in two bags. The Bench refused to accept the money.

Davies went away again—and this time he returned with two 10s. notes.

*Legal tender in coppers is limited to 1s.

58 Years Reporter

Herbert Wye, who in 1892 reported the last public speech of the Duke of Clarence, uncle of the King, and has attended royal events in five reigns, has just retired after fifty-eight years in London journalism.

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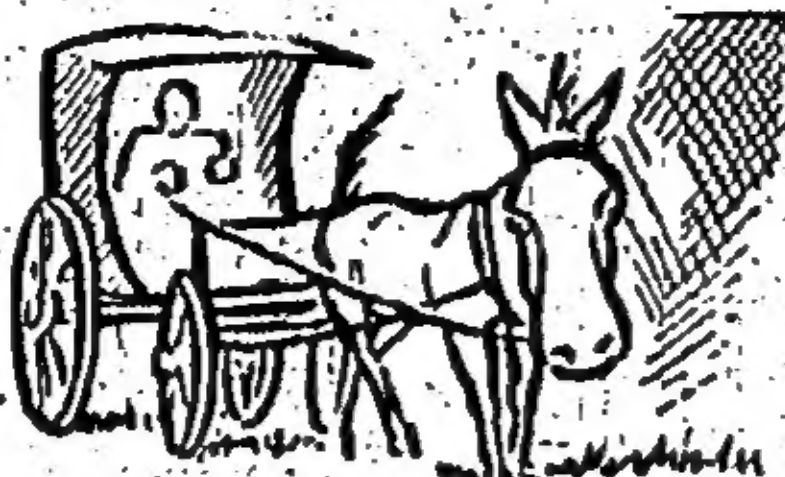
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Rewards of Service

The small sum left by the late James Savage, Prime Minister of New Zealand, is welcome evidence that there are political leaders who approach their high office with no thought of self-enrichment.

Perhaps France, among the democratic countries, has been conspicuous for its Chief Executives who have personally preferred to live in humble style. A notable example was Emile Loubet, President during the Drayfus case, who was a man of humble means and habits. His successor, Armand Fallieres, of peasant stock, could be seen after retirement tending his little southern vineyard. Poincare, though comfortably provided for, lived modestly and never travelled by limousine if a railroad was available.

In Britain, tradition has usually set the Prime Minister among the possessing classes. Lloyd George, Liberal wartime premier and originally a provincial reformer, was an exception. So was Ramsay MacDonald, first Labour Prime Minister. In Australia, the late Mr. Joseph A. Lyons, who died last year, left only £836.

American Presidents, while enjoying the financial advantages offered in their newly developed country, have by no means consistently maintained themselves in affluence. President Washington began as almost the wealthiest landowner in the United States, with tens of thousands of acres and hundreds of slaves. Yet as a result of the war he had to borrow money to settle his debts and pay his travelling expenses to New York, when elected President. Jefferson, owner of 10,000 acres, ended his career in straitened circumstances. Jackson and McKinley both knew the meaning of hard times.

Democracy, more than any other form of government, has set up lofty principles by which its actions are constantly being measured. Yet in calling upon large numbers of citizens, the temptation to self-interest and self-enrichment is considerable. The example set by public-spirited leaders of the type of Mr. Savage is therefore a vital contribution to the integrity and survival of democratic ideals.

LORD BEAVERBROOK, owner of the London "Daily Express," the newspaper with the world's greatest circulation, has written a series of articles on Britain's position today, after seven months of war. In pursuance of his decision to offer the series to leading newspapers throughout the British Empire, Lord Beaverbrook has forwarded the articles to the "Telegraph" for publication in Hongkong. The first appears below.

"Make Ye Sure To Each His Own"

VICTORY in the war depends on supplies of food.

There must be production and import to feed the populations here and on the fighting fronts. There must be production at home and import from abroad to supply our needs in feeding-stuffs for beasts and poultry.

What are the prospects and the possibilities?

First of all, our requirements. In spite of the rationing, we need more food now than we did before war began. That increase in our needs is due to the soldiers, who must be fed on a fighting basis.

That is to say, they must have the supplies necessary for men exposed to the elements, undertaking heavy labour, working long hours at arduous tasks and strenuous duties.

Then again, there is the immense inflow of troops from overseas, and the camp-followers and refugees from many lands.



TO some extent these extra demands upon our food stocks are offset by the rationing restrictions on those who lead sedentary lives and pass their days in sedentary occupations.

So here is a problem intensified by the incidence of the war. Indeed, we have a good idea of the degree to which food consumption increases in war. For it has been estimated after the experience of the last war that food supplies must be increased as much as 20 per cent. of the total consumption of any country engaging in battle front.

To consider the situation fully, we must first of all have a clear conception of the relative importance of home production and imports from abroad into Britain.

Two-thirds of the food we eat comes from abroad. One-third is grown in our own fields.

There is no denying that home production ought to have been speeded up before the war. But there is no use in looking back longingly into the past. We must peer into the future instead.

We must consider the contribution which can be made by home production to help us. What can we expect from the fields and the farmers of Britain? What can we ask them to do for us now?



FIRST, we can look for a much bigger acreage under the plough. J. F. Wright tells me that the present programme has brought half a million additional acres into our total of ploughed land. It is not enough. It is not as much as we have a right to expect. A fourth of the land of Britain is increased by four million acres. And it is perfectly possible to achieve that result. The land is there, waiting for the plough.

Back to 1870, that must be the cry. 1870, when, with a population of 26 millions, we had 17½ million acres of arable land, against the 1940 figure of 46 millions of population and less than 12 million acres.

This would be a development immensely increasing our home supplies of food for man and beast.

Then we can increase our livestock in every direction, especially if we have plenty of fodder. We can increase our herds, which have lately suffered a serious decline.

John Edwards tells me that, since the outbreak of war, our cattle resources have been depleted by half a million head out of 8,000,000. That our total stock of live pigs has gone down by half a million out of 3,750,000.

Gilbert Kidner estimates that the shortage of feeding-stuffs has caused a loss of five million birds out of 60,000,000 on the poultry farms and in the farmyards of Britain.

There is certainly a pressing necessity for an increase in hens. For we should produce all the eggs we require. Now this decline in cattle, pigs and poultry, due to the failure in supply of foodstuffs, must be restored forthwith as increased quantities become available. And we must further provide for very considerable improvement in livestock as well.



SO here is the demand: That our producers, the farming people, should give us more than sixteen million acres under the plough. In 1918 we were within 200,000 acres of that figure. They should increase livestock, until our herds of cattle reach more than eleven million head. Five million pigs would not be too many. And an increase in poultry to provide all our eggs and table birds. An increase from twenty-five million to thirty million sheep on our pastures would be desirable.

It is necessary to increase the herds. If we do so, we have the

In 1870, with a population of 26 millions, we had 17½ million acres of arable land. Now we have 45 millions of population and under 12 million acres in cultivation.

How can we make up that shortage in our food production?

by

LORD

BEAVERBROOK

of Norway, making three round trips in a year from Aalborg, Canada, and the River Plate.

It is as though the entire mercantile marine of the United States of America were after disposal for one voyage, with all in produce that these ships could carry.

What a gift! What a benefaction! What a splendid help in time of trouble!

And, by reducing the wartime pressure upon shipping we would do something to prevent a undue rise in freight charges.

The money paid to a shipowner for carrying a cargo of grain to a British harbour actually amounts to more than twice as much as the charge before war broke out.

This immense increase in freight rates is one of the most important factors in promoting a rise in food prices.

So by this increase in production that we project, and by the economy in consumption, coupled with a diversion to home-grown foods, we help to protect ourselves against further rise in the cost of living.



AND there is one more contribution that can be offered by almost every member of the public. It is the contribution he can make in the guise of a producer in a small way.

For garden patches ever so tiny can be cultivated. A few potatoes here, a bed of carrots there, some beetroot where the land is well fertilised.

The consumer then has the satisfaction of feasting on his own produce, the pleasure of taking some part and share in the equipment of a nation bent on the preservation of society.

There is no other such satisfaction in the human breast as that derived from a well-cultivated garden.

I have referred to the contributions from (1) the producer; (2) the consumer; and (3) the gardener. Now then, the Government.

The Government must not take agricultural labourers from the soil. Well I remember October 19, 1917, when an immense effort was made to find skilled ploughmen in the Army. A great comb-out took place.

on a demand from the Board of Agriculture for 10,000 skilled ploughmen.

Within a month there was an insistent plea to the War Cabinet for more ploughmen and more labourers for a most-wanted situation had arisen. The Government had been stimulated to increase production. Now they were left without the supplies they were left without the supplies they were left without the supplies.

This time let us avoid that mistake. Let us escape that error.



EVERY available man must be turned to agricultural pursuits. Labourers must be called back not only from the Army, but also from city occupations. Wherever found he should be persuaded to return at once to the cultivation of the soil.

It will be said, that economic conditions in the country districts stand in the way. Nothing of the sort. To the farmers of Britain who have strayed from the soil that the defence of their country urgently necessitates their return to the land, and they will respond with good will.

But do not ask the patriot to pay a price.

Let him know that his labour will be well rewarded. That his social condition will be well provided for. And that the welfare of his family will never be neglected again.

The Government should also provide means for training women for the land. And the efforts that have been made to attract the attention of women to the land have failed.

Yet it must be within the resources of a good man, with powers from the Government, to establish proper training centres for women which will attract them to the land which it should be possible to turn out such competent women workers that the farmers will be eager to employ them.

They would be especially suitable to look after pigs and poultry. And the male labour which they would replace can be directed quite easily to other agricultural pursuits.

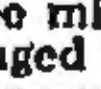


IN this island fortress, in this home of a stern race that has scattered its farming population so prodigally to all parts of the Empire, we can rely upon the character and fortitude of our people. They will endure. They will conquer shortages. They will face hardship, if hardship comes.

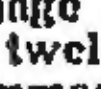
And to the sons of the sons of the Scottish farmers who have returned again over the seas to fight for the freedom of the soil of their forefathers, we can give an example of high endeavour and splendid purpose.



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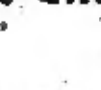


across the sea for the supply of the British population with adequate produce grow half the food at home, half that tonnage can be dispensed with. Nearly twelve million tons of shipping accommodation can be put at the disposal of the Shipping Minister.



We would also relieve the pressure upon shipping tonnage. The fewer the ships that we must employ to bring us food, the greater the number of ships that we can use to bring munitions and arms to Britain.

Twenty-three million tons of shipping are engaged in the course of a year in transporting foodstuffs across the sea for the supply of the British population with adequate produce grow half the food at home, half that tonnage can be dispensed with. Nearly twelve million tons of shipping accommodation can be put at the disposal of the Shipping Minister.



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CHURCHILL APPOINTMENT PRELUDE TO BIG DRIVE

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channels but will utilize them to the fullest extent.

More Optimistic Than Ever
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—After seven months of war, Mr. Chamberlain is ten times more confident of victory than he was at the beginning.

This is what he said at the annual meeting of the Central Council of the National Union of the Conservative Association yesterday.

"This," he said, "was not based on wishful thinking but on the fact that we had successfully beaten off all attempts to starve us out by attacks on shipping from raiders or aircraft, or from secret weapons or any other old thing the Nazis could think of."

Germany had been preparing for a war for years and one would have thought that she would have used her initial superiority to try and overwhelm the Allies.

It was not very extraordinary that no such attack had been made. Whatever may have been the reason, Hitler may have thought he could get away with what he had got without fighting for it or possibly it was that his preparations were not sufficiently complete.

Seven months had enabled us to get ready to consolidate and tune up every arm of defence, and to add to our fighting strength so that we could face the future with a calm and steady mind.

Seven months, he said, had been of little use to Hitler because it found him with no longer a margin of strength to carry on.

Even now the Nazis were enslaving Poland, Czechoslovakia and dragging the people from their homes to work like slaves in Germany.

Our trouble, he said, was opposite. We were not yet making full use of our manpower. This was being dealt with rapidly.

No Food Shortage
Turning to certain aspects of German propaganda, he said there were German reports that we were short of food. As everyone knew we have no shortage.

Then there was the growth of sentiment by the neutral countries which compared our methods of warfare with those used by the Germans.

We may have committed technical breaches of neutrality, sometimes by accident and sometimes not by accident. But there was all the world of difference between what we had done and those terrible callous and wicked proceedings on the part of Germany who had sunk neutral ships without warning and left their crews exposed to the perils of the sea.

He mentioned the fact that Germany had not got a real friend in the world although there may be many who were still dominated by fear of her military power.

It could not be expected, however, that we should allow Germany indefinitely to profit by her scrupulousness.

Whatever the neutrals might say, the public knew that our victory spells freedom for them and our defeat condemns them to slavery.

"You can take it from me," he went on, "that one by one the leaks and loopholes are being stopped."

Snapping Enemy's Life Blood
The war will go on and the strangling effect will more and more draw the life blood from the enemy.

He referred to the close collaboration between Britain and the Dominions and the complete accord with our great and gallant ally France.

The recent declarations, he said, had given proof of the determination of Britain and France not only to win the war but to make peace together. After the peace had been made they would still act together for the reconstruction of Europe.

Hitler "Missed The Bus"
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—At a Conservative Conference here, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said that when they embarked on the war in September he felt that they were bound to win.

"Now after seven months of war," he said, "I feel ten times as confident as at the beginning."

When war broke out, he continued, German preparations were far ahead of our own and it was natural to expect the enemy to take advantage of his initial superiority to try to overwhelm us before we made up our deficiencies. But one thing was certain, he said, Hitler had "missed the bus."

The very completeness of his preparations had left him very little margin of strength still to carry on.

There has been a growth in neutral sentiment favourable to Britain.

Stopping Up Loopholes
Loopholes in the blockade, he said, were being stopped and the strangling effect of the blockade would more and more drain the life blood of the enemy.

"Our will to conquer must enable us to either withstand an intensified warfare with whatever checks and disappointments which may come to offset our triumphs or equally stand up against a protracted and wearisome war in which for many months together it might seem impossible for either side to win a decisive advantage," he continued.

"Whichever alternative may come I put my faith in the traditional courage and tenacity of our race," he concluded.

Wants End Of Party Strife
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—An interesting discussion arose at the annual meeting of the Central Council of the National Union of the Conservative Association to-day at which a resolution calling for national unity was put forward by the executive committee.

The resolution called for the support of all parties and said that while criticism in a democracy could be offered freely, it should not be designed to undermine the

Exploiting Poland

Nazi Four-Year-Plan Is Exposed

PARIS, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The existence of a Nazi Four-year Plan for the systematic exploitation of Poland has been released by the Polish Government Press Bureau in Paris, which publishes the instructions given by Berlin to the German authorities in Poland.

The aim of the plan is to place the whole of Poland's resources at the service of the German war machine without the slightest regard for the needs of the Poles either now or the future.

The preamble says that no long-range economic policy can be conducted in Poland. On the contrary, it is necessary to conduct the economic life of that area so that at the shortest notice it can achieve the maximum service for strengthening the Reich war economy.

Chief Provisions

The provisions include:

(1) Polish agricultural production is to be increased and set aside for the use of the German army. Only if there is a surplus will Poles get anything.

(2) The cutting up of timber is to be increased without regard for the conservation of forests.

(3) The output of raw material is to be speeded up.

(4) Industrial production for Polish use is to be restricted to a minimum; all production capable of serving German interests is to be maintained and the rest to be sent to Germany.

(5) At least 1,000,000 men and women to be despatched as workers of war. 750,000 will be used for farm work.

(6) Poles working in Germany will receive sufficient food to keep up their strength; the rest will receive a bare minimum of rations.

Less Coal For Germany
Holland's Rationing Shocks Nazis

AN TERDAM, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is noted that there is a good deal of dissatisfaction in Germany at the Netherlands Government's decision to introduce coal rationing.

Germany possesses the largest supplies of coal in any country in Europe, and the decree announcing the scheme, published in the morning papers, came as a most unpleasant surprise.

Last winter's shortage was mainly attributed to the exceptionally cold weather paralysing transport.

It appears, however, that a definite shortage is expected next winter whatever the weather may be.

Reynaud Agrees To Debate

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PARIS, Apr. 4 (UP).—The French Premier has agreed to allow the Chamber of Deputies to conduct a general debate on his Ministry and its policies prior to Parliament going into recess for the Spring vacation.

This action is the aftermath of demands by the Radical Socialists for an opportunity to make clear their attitude to the Government.

No Hostile Motion
PARIS, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The Radical deputies held a meeting here this afternoon which had been awaited for with some apprehension in political circles. But the meeting did not produce any motion hostile to the Government.

On the contrary, many insisted that the Radical group now wishes to bear no hostility to the Cabinet but desire that an opportunity should be given before the Chamber adjourns for a clear government majority to be recorded.

Turkey's Exports To Nazis Drop

ANKARA, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—During the first two months of 1940, Turkey's exports to Germany fell to two per cent. of the total exports as compared with 58 per cent. last year.

Exports to Britain and France rose to 28 per cent. of the total, an increase of 22 per cent.

authority of the Government which is responsible for the conduct of the war.

During his speech, Mr. Chamberlain said that he would welcome the cessation of party strife for the time being.

"I do not, of course, claim that the Government should be exempt from criticism," he went on.

During the discussion, the Conservative member for Hull, Mr. Law, said that the resolution confused the uniformity of the parties with uniformity of judgment. They had this sort of political truce in Germany but not here. That was one of the reasons why we were at war.

Mr. Vyvian Adams proposed an amendment stating that they hoped that every party should not try to exploit party feeling. "I don't care what British Government conducts the war," he said, "providing it brings about the defeat of Germany and the end of Nazi tyranny."

The amendment was widely supported and the original resolution was dropped.

NAZI SCREAM AT CHURCHILL'S WIDER POWERS

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shadowing a further large expansion of output.

Merely Re-Shuffling
Twice in its leading article the "Times" says that other changes were merely re-shuffling.

The "Times" incidentally provides criticism by returning to the charge it made last September that the War Cabinet was too large to be successful.

The paper wants a smaller department to co-ordinate the war energies and hopes that the co-ordination of defence in all branches will now pass into the hands of Mr. Churchill.

The only complete disapproval of the reshuffling is voiced by the "Daily Herald" which takes Mr. Chamberlain with gross failure. He understands neither the needs of the country nor the interests of the hour, the paper says.

On the other hand Lord Beaverbrook's "Daily Express" is satisfied with all the changes. They are all good, but there are not enough of them, says this paper.

Parliamentary Comment
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Some Parliamentary comments on the Cabinet changes regret that something more has not been done to strike a note of new drive, while others are prepared to give the changes an opportunity to justify themselves.

The changes generally have not caused any stir. Greater interest is displayed in the forthcoming secret session as offering an opportunity of free expression in favour of a more vigorous policy.

Italy Impressed
ROME, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The quiet manner in which the changes in the British Cabinet had taken place has much impressed Italian political circles.

The newspaper, "Avvenire," says that it had been done without polemics and Parliamentary affray.

Generally a more vigorous aggressiveness is expected in the conduct of the war, but all political observers declare themselves unable to see how the British naval control can be made more stringent if Mr. Chamberlain's recent reiteration of respect for neutral waters is to remain effective.

Screams Of Rage
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Foreign comment on the Cabinet changes ranges from the scream of rage in Germany to quiet satisfaction in France.

In America the changes are seen (vide the "New York Times") as an indication that Britain means business.

In some countries it is the picture of the war, but all political observers declare themselves unable to see how the British naval control can be made more stringent if Mr. Chamberlain's recent reiteration of respect for neutral waters is to remain effective.

ARMED 'MERCHANT-MAN' OF AIR BEATS NAZI PILOTES IN DUEL

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type, which are among the latest, fastest and most manoeuvrable German type.

The battle was one of the most spectacular which had ever occurred over the North Sea. The Sunderland had been searching the area and found a German aircraft which made off when attacked.

An hour later, four Junkers tried to bomb a convoy, but made off after anti-aircraft fire had broken up their formation.

Then six Junkers appeared and a second combat started.

Junkers Routed
Inside the Sunderland there was a continuous blast of sound as the tall gunner revolved his huge turret, swerving the four guns beam to beam, while amidships the gunners swung the guns to keep the enemies in their sights.

A few minutes afterwards two Junkers retreated while the other four came in swiftly. The Sunderland's tall gunner held his fire until the Junkers were 100 yards away. He then opened all four guns.

The leading Junker spun down to the sea in flames and another swerved away after receiving a cascade of bullets in one engine.

It was this plane which landed in Norway.

The remaining Junkers got the full sting of the Sunderland's toll as they finally departed.

Controls Shot Away
The Sunderland landed safely at its base with its controls shot away.

The Captain had an eye-lid cut by chips of metal and the second pilot suffered a slight ear injury.

Planes Attack Trawlers
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is learned that German war planes attacked trawlers on the north-east of the Shetlands to-day.

They dropped seven bombs all of which missed their marks.

When a bomb fell close to one trawler she sent out an S.O.S.

A British fighter arrived and made for one of the German machines which, however, dashed away.

ANKARA, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—General Tinnaz has relinquished his post as Minister of National Defence owing to ill-health. He has been succeeded by M. Saffetkiran, formerly the Minister of Education.

REYNAUD'S BROADCAST

Not Peace Treaty This Time, But Real Peace

PARIS, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Broadcasting to the United States on Wednesday night, M. Paul Reynaud, the French Premier, affirmed France's determination to conduct the war with increasing energy and carry through to the bitter end.

France, he said, was waging war to establish with her ally peace in Europe and a permanent peace. It was not a question of making another peace treaty this time. It was the making of a real peace, not one for 25 years, but for our children and their children's children.

New Kind Of War
He referred to the war as a new kind of war unlike any other. For instance, although the victory of the Allies was of vital interest to certain neutral countries in Europe, their fear of Germany had led them to work against their own interests.

"We shall use the victory to make little nations safe. They will have their due place beside the big nations," he said.

M. Reynaud emphasised that victory must be first. No peace treaty in history proves that it was ever drawn at a conference table when a decision had not been made on the battlefield.

Realistic And Idealistic
The conception of peace on this side of the Atlantic is at once realistic and idealistic. We know what sort of peace Nazi Germany is meditating on the other side—a simmering peace which reigns for the time being. Such a peace would mean the blackout of those democratic principles which the Pope stressed on Easter morning with such vigour and the death of all our democratic principles.

That must not be. We shall act with such energy that there will be no blackout of civilisation. The Allied cause, which is the cause of liberty, will triumph.

More Imports From U.S.
Big Purchases By The Allies Reported

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Apr. 4 (UP).—In the House of Commons to-day the Minister of Economic Warfare, Mr. Ronald Cross, said the value of United States exports to the United Kingdom and France for the four months ending December 31 increased by \$22,000,000 as compared with the corresponding period in 1938.

United States exports to Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy and the Soviet Union increased by \$68,000,000 in the same period.

Mr. Cross said the question of imports to neutral countries contiguous to Germany is constantly under review, but it could not be assumed that exports from any country to contiguous neutrals over a short period necessarily implied a leak in the blockade.

Neutrals Increase Imports
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He gave his assurance that the difficult question of imports into neutral countries passing to Germany was under constant review.

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Allies' Arrangement
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is announced that in accordance with the arrangements made in February and extended as the result of discussions last week-end between the President of the Board of Trade and the French Minister of Commerce, increased facilities have been agreed upon regarding imports into the United Kingdom from France and parts of the French Empire, and from the United Kingdom into France, Tunisia, Syria and Lebanon.

These steps have been taken within the framework of the special economic and financial arrangements in force between the British and French Governments.

NEW G.O.C. FOR CANADIANS
OTTAWA, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is announced that Brigadier-General Victor W. W. O'Brien has been chosen to command the Second Division of the Canadian Active Service Corps.

Major-General Andrew McNaughton commands the First Division, which is already in England.

Peerage For Maj. G. C. Tryon
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—A peerage has been conferred on Major G. C. Tryon, who was yesterday appointed to be Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

Lord Woolton, Minister of Food, has been appointed Privy Councillor.

British Govt. Trading Co.

Formation Of New War Concern Announced

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, intimated that the Government had decided to form a special trading company called the English Commercial Corporation, the capital of which would be subscribed by the Treasury.

The company would at present be primarily concerned in trade with Bulgaria, Greece, Hungary, Rumania, Turkey and Yugo-Slavia and will work as a commercial independent entity subject to consultation with the Government.

The Chairman is Lord Swinton.

Permanent Body
"Reuter" understands that the company will be a permanent body.

The Board of Directors of the new company will include Mr. Alfred Chester Beatty, F.S.A., Mr. G.S.T.Q. Bealey, Mr. C.P. Lister, Mr. G.A. MacEwan, Mr. J.H. Hambro and Mr. F.H. Nixon.

Mr. Beatty, who was born in New York 65 years ago and became a naturalised Englishman in 1933, has done much work in America and Northern Rhodesia in connection with mines.

Mr. Beasley is a partner of Halli Brothers, well-known Indian merchants.

Mr. Nixon, who is the Manager of the Export Credit Guarantee Department, was the Commissioner of the Austrian Government for floating the Austrian Reconstruction Loans in 1923. He was a member of the Financial Mission to Poland, the following year and became President of the International Union of Credit Insurers in 1935.

China Not To Give In
Mr. Quo Tai-chi's Declaration

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—China's determination to resist to the bitter end was reiterated by Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador, speaking at a meeting of the English-speaking Union.

He declared that England and China were at present engaged in a life and death struggle in Europe and Asia for ideals and principles which alone make life worth living.

Only Peace Aims
"China has no war aims, only peace. The war with Japan was forced on us. Determined as China is to preserve her integrity, she is no less determined to encourage and participate in an international life that can be made practicable by goodwill and enlightened self-abnegation."

Mr. Quo Tai-chi stressed Japan's dependence on the United States for war materials, and declared his confidence that Washington will bring about a stoppage of metal and oil, without which Japan will be powerless to continue the war.

He cited the Wang Ching-wei Government, which, he said, would turn out to be not an ace or a trump card but only a joker.

Contraband Work In Mediterranean

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is learned in authoritative sources that the cargoes of 498 ships, exclusive of vessels coming from the Far East, were considered in the Contraband Control base in the Mediterranean during March.

On patrol area alone, during two months, boarded 288 ships for inspection of papers, and communicated with 608 ships by signal.

Some were diverted to Contraband Control bases but most were allowed to proceed without delay.

Reorganising U.S. Navy Dept.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt, and his naval advisers have agreed that the Navy's administration should be re-organised to provide, among other things, the new post of Under-Secretary of the Navy and Bureau of Ships.

The present bureaux of Engineering, Construction and Repairs will be consolidated in the form of the new bureau.

A Bill to effect the re-organisation will be introduced at Congress.

Metal Effigies For Fuehrer

AMSTERDAM, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Busts and heads of Hitler are included in the many objects which are being handed over for the metal collection.

The authorities are also receiving effigies of the ex-Kaiser, Beethoven, Wagner and Dante.

It is estimated that 10,000 effigies have been surrendered.

Over 100,000 cowbells have been collected from Austria.

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—A colliery, which is expected to be the largest in Britain, will be opened soon in Fifehire. By midsummer the colliery should be turning out some 400 tons of coal an hour.

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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

THIRD EXTRA MEETING TO-MORROW

FIRST LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

THE KONGMUN HANDICAP for China ponies, the fifth race of the season, has been well responded to with 28 nominations. I have seen much bigger entries before, only to be disappointed in the end with non-acceptances.

Incidentally the first leg of the daily double is on this event, and in my estimation the winner is to be found among Distinctive Time, For All Time, Gay Star, Johnner, Oonagh, Tonson and Victoria. My best three are For All Time, Oonagh and Victoria.

GOOD MILERS IN HOBART HANDICAP

THE HOBART HANDICAP for "B" class Australian ponies, the fourth race, should be an interesting event, there being no less than 21 entries. There are a few good milers, and it is not easy to pick the best.

When they met in the Calliope Handicap run on Easter Monday, the winner (Murrumbidgee) was in receipt of 15 lbs. from the second pony, Sydney Lad, whereas to-morrow the latter has to concede only 5 lbs. for a defeat of two lengths.

Although it works out in favour of Sydney Lad, I prefer Murrumbidgee. Bruno created a great impression when he won the Cabramatta Handicap for "C" class ponies over six furlongs, but Mr. Trevorton's brown gelding has been promoted to a higher standard and he will be up against a much stronger opposition. He may spring a surprise, for Bruno is well keyed for the event.

ST. KILDA HANDICAP Tarzan Should Have Easy Passage

WITH Springhurst and Australian Prince out of the road, Tarzan should have an easy passage in the St. Kilda Handicap for "D" class Australian ponies, the sixth race, but I would like to know whether the brown gelding can last another extra two furlongs over his last outing. Helix looks good in the handicap, and I think he is dangerous.

Portrush For The Closing Event

MY CHOICE for the closing event, the Canton Handicap (second section) for "D" class China ponies, is Portrush, Piet Hein and Gold Coin, and I expect that they will cross the bar in the order I have named.

TWO MILES' RACE FOR AUSTRALIANS

Good Response To Revival Of Endurance Contest

NINE HANDICAP EVENTS for Australian and China ponies comprise the programme of the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held to-morrow at Happy Valley, the main contest being the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies of any season over two miles.

Last longest distance run was in 1929, when Coos Bay (Mr. Hill) won the Fochow Cup, beating Town Hall (Mr. Encarnacao) by five lengths, and the time was 4.35.2/5 for two miles. In the following year the Fochow Cup for China ponies was shortened to one and a half miles, but last February the event was further reduced to one and a quarter miles.

However, very good response has been received for the revival of the endurance and stamina test over two miles, and the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies has attracted no less than 14 entries.

The Brisbane Spring Handicap was first run over the champion course of 1 1/4 miles on May 19, 1934, when Able Amazon won Mr. Butler up was the first winner. Last year Courting Eve (Mr. Pih) sprung a surprise, beating the much fancied Lucky Lad (Mr. Needa) by one and a half lengths. The mare has been nominated for to-morrow's race, but Courting Eve's chances of renewing her acquaintance with the judges are not rosy.

To-morrow's racing should be an entirely different affair, for it opens with a novice event, the Canton Handicap (first section) for "D" class China ponies, and the meeting will close with the second section of the same contest to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere. The run is over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, and there are a few runners with equal chances. Of the lot, Chatterbox has been running quite well in his last two outings, and as a result the chestnut gelding has been highly rated. This time and Willymilly are good.

BRISBANE SPRING

HANDICAP PROSPECTS. It cannot be said that there is not a good lot of stayers in the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies of any season over two miles.

To start we have Lucky Lad, the winner of 1938 Fremantle St. Leger, but the success of Baffin Bay in the same classic at the fall has not been forgotten by the men of the turf because the pony paid \$410.30 for a win.

Next comes Tornado Star, who captured the Rooty-Hill Derby in 1938, and is followed by Triumphant Day with the lowest impost. On the top of the tree is Far View, whose recent display does not require any introduction.

Sapper, who went down to Far View by three-quarters of a length in the Rooty-Hill Derby about six

SECOND LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

THE SECOND LEG of the daily double is on the Fatshan Handicap (second section) for "C" class China ponies, the seventh race and the last is over 1 1/4 miles. Strath-bannock has let us down badly at the Easter session, but I think Mr. Macgregor's candidate will make up to-morrow to be followed by Advancing Time and Celtic Star.

Fatshan Heap Over Champion Course

THE FATSHAN HANDICAP (first section) for "C" class China ponies, the third race, is over the champion course, but I am afraid that there are a few ponies which will not be able to last the distance.

Musketier, Oak Bay, Rose Evelyn and Rose Flana have rejoined their old section, and none of them is yet due for a win. I fancy Just In Time with Boolah Bay and Tampa Bay to follow in the rear.

Sprinters To Watch In Broken Hill Handicaps

I AM SURE that students of form will not hesitate to back Flying Dutchman, Many Thanks and Spring-hurst in the eighth race, the Broken Hill Handicap over six furlongs, but be careful with Fair Chance, Franklin and Princess Clara, all of whom are speedy merchants.

WEATHER PROBLEM

TO-DAY'S forenoon forecast by the Royal Observatory has not been very promising, and nobody can predict what the Weather Clerk will favour. On a going similar to that we had on the first day of the Easter session, Sapper will give another win to Mrs. A. E. Grasett. He had such a comfortable victory in the Albany Handicap over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, and that the extra "once round" should not trouble Sapper.

Badminton Singles

P.H. WONG TO MEET C. AU IN FINAL

K. L. Yong And H. Eardley Beaten At Recreio

(By "Tinker")

UNLIKE the Colony Tennis Tournament this year, the Open Badminton championships have featured excellent matches almost from the first round, and at the Club de Recreio last night, the semi-finals of the singles, P. H. Wong v. K. L. Yong and C. Au v. H. Eardley, in no way lowered the standards previously set. Both matches were decided in straight games, but they were games replete with excitement.

P. H. Wong beat K. L. Yong 17-14, 15-3, and C. Au beat H. Eardley 15-10, 15-11. To most people, the Au-Eardley match may have been the more thrilling, but for brilliantly bewildering tactics and stroke-play I would give the palm to Wong and Yong for their first game.

Au and Eardley took to the court first. Au, mainly on very finely judged angle shots, ran into a 10-1 lead, at which stage Eardley came into prominence with powerful and accurate smashing. He several times manoeuvred Au to the side line, and then took the points with excellently placed smashes to the other corner. Though he collected the points at the rate of two to Au's one, he had to concede the game at 15-10.

The second game brought forth all the fighting qualities of the Chinese. Eardley led 7-2 and then 9-3, when Au began using drop shots from the baseline with amazing accuracy. He crept up to 9-10, and eventually led 11-10. Those short drop shots caught Eardley almost every time. He only managed to collect one more point before losing the game.

BEST OF EVENING

THE BEST GAME of the evening, however, was the opening one between Yong and Wong. Both used every shot in their repertoire, and the extraordinary speed with which they moved about the court made one quite dizzy. Yong's great falling was his delayed pick-up off the baseline. On no less than ten occasions he tried this shot. On eight the shuttle ended in the net; on one it just managed to clear the net, and on the other an easy smash was presented to Wong. It is a shot that requires the utmost delicacy of touch to just clear the net, and the most powerful of wrists to flick the "bird" back to baseline.

Rallies were long and brought forth much applause from the crowded hall. From 4-11, Yong led 9-6,

RUMJAHN COUSINS ENTER DOUBLES SEMI-FINAL

IN STRAIGHT SETS, the Rumjahn cousins, H.D. and S.A., entered the semi-finals of the Hongkong Open doubles tennis tournament at the Hongkong Cricket Club, beating Pang Oi-lam and Leung Ping-chiu by 6-4, 6-4.

Though the result was a foregone conclusion, the Chinese put up a good struggle which made the game interesting. They lost out in accuracy, but held their own in several of the sustained rallies that marked the game. H.D. was particularly deadly with his volleying.

The Rumjahn's led 5-1 in the opening set, but stayed there while their opponents collected three more games before losing at 6-4.

In the second set, Pang and Leung lost when they conceded the seventh and eighth games to give the cousins a 5-3 lead. Up till then play had been very even.

SECOND DOUBLES

In the second doubles match, T. A. Pearce and E. C. Fay beat Maraland Ma and T. C. Chan 6-4, 3-0, 6-4.

THE GRAND NATIONAL

MacMoffat May Bring \$480,000 To Local Ticket Syndicate

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO, the first Grand National was run at Aintree. The winner's name was Lottery—an apt name for the winner of the biggest lottery in racing. The hazards of that lottery include thirty fences, and nearly four and a half miles of country. Anything may happen, though the highest fence is only 5 feet 2 inches high; and death may attend either horse or rider.

This Grand National, however, is of interest to the Colony in that two tickets in the Irish Sweepstake were drawn for people here. The "Brewery" Syndicate, c/o. H. Ruttonjee and Co., have drawn MacMoffat, third favourite, and have every chance of winning \$480,000, first prize.

Out of the original 59 entered, only 29 have accepted. Workman, last year's winner, has been withdrawn, as has Royal Mail. Both horses suffered from strain. This great race, however, has only been won twice by six horses. These were Peter Simple in 1849 and 1853, Abd-el-Kader 1850 and 1851, The Lamb 1868 and 1871, The Colonel 1869 and 1870, Manifesto 1897 and 1899 and Reynoldstown 1935 and 1936.

Of these famous six, it will be seen that the race has only been won twice in succession by three. It costs £100 to send a horse to the post in the Grand National, which is made up from £10 on entering, a first forfeit of £50 due on after the allotment of weights, and a final forfeit of £40. Conditions and rules for the race have been altered this year, partly on account of the war, but since it will be run over the usual course and distance, it goes down in the records as a proper National and not a substitute, as was run in 1910-17 and 1918.

OPEN TO ALL

THE race is now virtually open to all-comers. Horses eligible to

Week-end Cricket Teams

The following will represent Hongkong Cricket Club against Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday at Cox's Road.—T. A. Pearce, G. G. Aldenhead, D. L. Bosquet, D. G. Day, B. C. Fay, Burg. Comdr. Finnie, M. L. F. Haymes, H. Owen-Gudger, A. K. Mackenzie, J. L. C. Pearce and A. N. O'Brien.

CRAIGENGOWER ELEVEN

The following will represent Craigen-gower against Civil Service Cricket Club in a First Division League cricket match on Saturday at the Valley.—A. R. H. Emmal (Capt.), P. J. Billimoria, A. B. Jamson, A. J. Hulke, A. K. Iremal, C. W. Lam, E. A. Lee, A. M. Omar, W. Hong Sling, G. Souza and J. L. Young Saye.

CIVIL SERVICE TEAM

The following will represent the Civil Service Cricket Club in League cricket this Saturday.—H. E. Strange (Capt.), G. Almale, G. P. Stone, T. L. Lockhart, A. Watson, R. G. Robertson, J. F. MacGowan, J. V. G. Mitchell, A. M. J. Wright, H. F. Harper, and F. E. Lawrence. Reserve: A. F. Sheppard.

Regional Soccer

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The following were the results of matches played in the South "D" Division of the English Regional football League:

SOUTH "D"

Norwich 3 Aldershot 2
Clapton O. 0 Reading 3

Kowloon Football Club Lawn Bowls Rinks

The following will represent Kowloon Football Club in a friendly bowls match against Kowloon Cricket Club at Cox's Road at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday.

G. Frost, J. Dobson, P. Morgan and C. Downman (skip); B. Thomson, P. Young, J. Simpson and J. C. Brown (skips); J. Gibson, J. Smalley, B. Hall and V. Allenza (skip); G. Cross, C. Woodcock, H. Huether and V. Chiffenden (skip); Reserves, C. Fuller and W. Groves.

The Entries And Call-Over

7/2 Kilstar (Archibald).
10/1 The Professor (Owen).
12/1 MacMoffat (Alder).
12/1 Royal Mail (Moore).
100/8 Milano (D. Morgan).
100/7 Symmetris (Gosker).
100/6 Rockquilla (Carey).
20/1 Black Hawk (Rimell).
25/1 Takov Pacha (Prior-Palmer).
25/1 Under Bid (Nicholson).
23/1 Bogskar (M. Jones).
33/1 Inverisble (Hogan).
Dunhill Castle (Wilson).
Red Eagle (Elder).
Domnick's Cross (Mitchell).
Away (Muir).
Venture some Knight (Tweedie).
Litigant (Black).
Le Cygne (O'Grady).
Boyo (R. Morgan).
National Night (H. Jones).
Corn Law (McNeill).
Luxborough (Brown).
Lazy Poole (Ward).
Bachelor Prince (Powerson).
Downright (Seely).
Tuckmill (Kelly).
Golden Arrow (Lay).
Second Act (Dowdeswell).
Red Freeman (Redmond).

Boxing

R. Scots Win Inter-Unit Tournament

In the presence of many people at Nanking Barracks last night, the Royal Scots beat Middlesex 23 points to 22 to win the Hongkong Army (Army) Inter-Unit Team Boxing Championships. Good hard hitting fights were seen and the final decision was not reached until the last bout when Sgt. Elliott (R.A.) beat D/Mr. Holdford in the welterweight class.

There were two knock-outs, both suffered by the Middlesex. In the first bout of the bantamweight section Pte. Bailey (R.S.) landed a punch on the solar plexus of Pte. Hope (Middlesex) who fell down and did not rise again. In the middleweight fight, L/Cpl. Moore (R.S.) knocked out Pte. Roberts (Middlesex) in the first round.

Major-Gen. A. E. Grasett presented the prizes.

Results—
Bantam-Weight.—Pte. Bailey (R.S.) knocked out Pte. Hope (Middlesex).
Feather.—Pte. Corrigan (R.S.) beat Pte. Noble (Middlesex).
Cpl. Brown (R.S.) lost to Cpl. Phillips (Middlesex).
Light-Weight.—Cpl. Barker (R.S.) lost to L/Cpl. Willey (Middlesex).
L/Cpl. Wiseman (R.S.) lost to Pte. Griddle (Middlesex).
Pte. Cavanagh (R.S.) beat L/Cpl. Williams (Middlesex).
Welter-Weight.—Pte. McGready (R.S.) beat Pte. Grady (Middlesex).
Pte. Callaghan (R.S.) lost to Pte. Eaton (Middlesex).
Cpl. Ritchie (R.S.) beat L/Cpl. Wilson (Middlesex).
Sgt. Elliot (R.S.) beat D/Mr. Holdford (Middlesex).

Middle-Weight.—Pte. Emerson (R.S.) lost to Cpl. McGready (Middlesex).
L/Cpl. Moore (R.S.) knocked out Pte. Roberts (Middlesex).
Light Heavy-Weight.—Pte. Marshall (R.S.) lost to Cpl. Fox (Middlesex).
Heavy-Weight.—Pte. Aldenhead (R.S.) lost to Pte. Moran (Middlesex).

complete are six-year-olds (of which there is only one) and upwards, who, at the time of entry have been placed first, second or third in a steeplechase of three miles and upwards, or in a steeplechase at Aintree, or have won any steeplechase of value £500.

One noteworthy new rule is that "riders must have won five" "chases" under the recognised rules of "chasing" in any country to be qualified to ride. It is remarkable that this rule has not been introduced before, for the race is difficult and dangerous enough without having the added hazard of inexperienced riders.

Last year, for instance, friends of one rider bet him £100 to £10 that he would not negotiate the first fence—the rider lost.

The eighteen who ran last year, and the order of their finish, are: Workman (1); MacMoffat (2); Kilstar (3); Symmetris (5); Domnick's Cross (6); West Point (7); Royal Mail (9); Bachelor Prince (10); Under Bid (11); Inverisble, Milano, Tuckmill, Dunhill Castle, Second Act, Red Freeman, Rockquilla, Royal Daniell and Black Hawk.

Workman and Royal Mail were the only two previous winners entered this year, and with their scratching, there are now none.

SPORT ADVTS. THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

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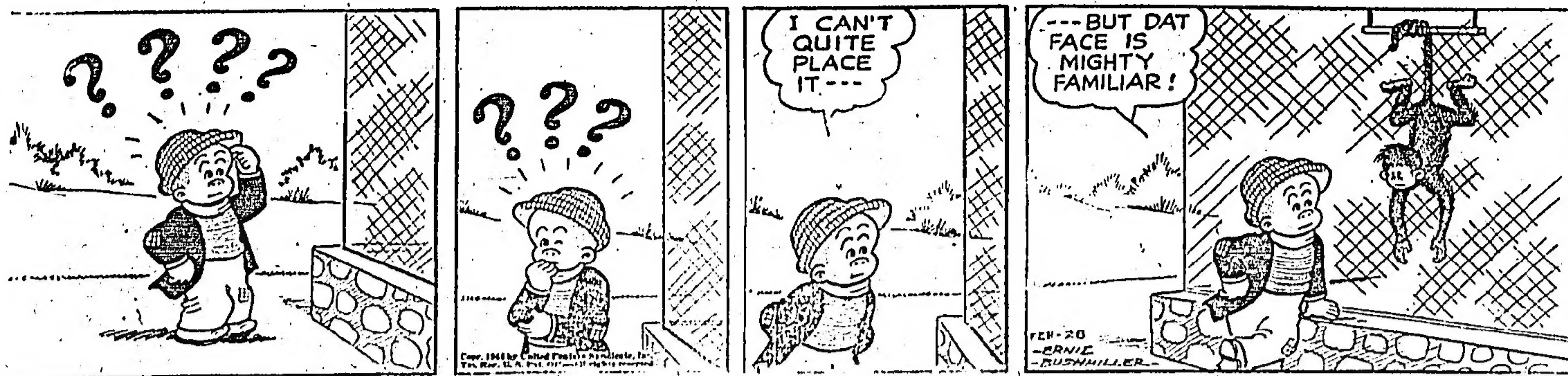
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By Ernie Bushmiller

ANDY HARDY GETS SPRING FEVER



SYNOPSIS: It is Springtime in Carvel and Judge Hardy is all agog, for it appears that he is about to make a fortune from certain acreage that he owns on the outskirts of the city. Two men, Willis and Hansen have informed him that the ground contains eight percent aluminum. Judge Hardy has had a sample of the soil analyzed and the analysis confirms their report. Young Andy Hardy, however, has his mind on other things. He has quarrelled with his girl, Polly, over a dashing naval ensign who is visiting her. But next day, in class, his interest switches to the beautiful new dramatics teacher, Rose Meredith.

Immediately after Court the next day, the Judge had Hansen and Willis ushered in. He had already telephoned them of his report and now, after greeting them, he pounded on the desk and shouted jubilantly. "There's millions in it gentlemen, maybe billions."

Willis shook his head. "No Judge," And as the Judge started, he went on. "You see, sir, it isn't just a question of the soil. Let me explain. The people who already manufacture the metal aluminum have their own source of supply. They certainly have no intention of making anybody else rich."

The Judge went hollow. All those dreams vanished. "Then why did you bring me this proposition?" Willis sat down. "We want to manufacture aluminum ourselves, put up our own plant. It will run into an investment of about a hundred thousand dollars. Mark and I already have approximately fifty per cent of the money. All we want from you is your word that you'll sell us the land at a sensible price."

Slowly, disappointedly, the Judge said, "That sounds fair." "You see," Hansen explained, "there aren't going to be enormous profits from this—but very nice, very steady ones." At the door he turned. "Thanks for your time Judge. We'll work out a suitable offer for the business world to get busy building the plant."



"Gentlemen," the Judge said, leaving them out. "I feel this is an important day in our lives." The door closed behind them. He strode briskly to his desk, there was a new executive swing in his walk. Suddenly he peered at the metal ink well on his desk, then picked it up. "Wonder if this is made of aluminum," he muttered. "If it isn't, it ought to be. Everything ought to be made of aluminum."

Then he sat down and picked up the telephone. There was just enough time before dinner to call his friends and offer them the investment. Let's see. He'd ring

George Benedict first. "Hello George," he said a moment later. Then, rapidly he began to outline the new aluminum project. "Yes, it looks good, old man. Oh, that's all right," he said expansively. "Don't think me like to let my friends in on the ground floor. I'll let you know all the details tomorrow. Yes, I'm going to call MacMahon now."

That evening after dinner, the three Hardy women were assembled in Marian's room. A conference was in progress as Marian tried on one dress after the other. Her new career was to begin the next day and what she would wear was of the utmost importance.

The door was flung open and Andy stuck his head in. He looked almost fanatically serious and the earmarks of creative genius were

all over him. "Say," he began without preamble, "do they have volcanoes on the island of Tahiti?" Aunt Milly rallied first. "I don't know, but the encyclopedia is down in your father's den."

"Thanks," He disappeared. "Wonder what he's up to now," Mrs. Hardy said. "School work, I suppose."

The door opened and it was Andy again. "What's a name for a native girl?" Marian shrieked. "Say, what is this?"

"What kind of a native girl?" Aunt Milly asked. Andy's face seemed to blur all over. He was off somewhere in the South Seas. "A very beautiful

one." Then he scowled as both Aunt Milly and Marian began to laugh.

Mrs. Hardy wracked her brains and tried to be of some help to this curious child of hers. "There're some lovely Indian ones."

"Indian ones. My gosh," Andy ejaculated in high scorn. "Isn't there anybody around this house that can help me? What kind of a place is this?"

"Andrew," Mrs. Hardy said, hoping an interested question would placate him, "did you find out from the encyclopedia whether there are any volcanoes in Tahiti?"

"No. I can't go in the den. Miss Meredith's using the telephone."

Mrs. Hardy sat up straight. "Who?"

Andy shook his head dazedly. "I mean, Pop's using the telephone. Well," he said, glowering at them all, "I guess I'll have to depend on my own brains for this."

He bounded out and went back to his own room. Sitting down at his typewriter he plunged into play-writing again. Gradually, the mound of crumpled and discarded sheets mounted higher and higher. Finally, he rose and began to stride up and down the room. His hair was dishevelled, his tie pulled away. Every now and then he paused before the full-length mirror and faced himself, to check on how things were going.

The papers in his hand were labelled "Adrift in the South Seas," by Andrew Hardy, Act One. He began to recite the dialogue, using the cold monotone of an announcement over a public address system.

"We never need to worry about supplies, men. Look," he said, enacting the Rear Admiral. From the corner of his mouth he muttered the stage directions. "The Admiral laughs and points out to his hero-worshipping crew a banana tree." Then he fell into his Admiral pose. "You see? A banana tree."

He spoke again from the corner of his mouth. "He looks surprised for under the banana tree is a pretty little native girl who is sleeping." Then, once more, he became the Admiral. "But who is this? Gad, gentlemen, what a pretty girl." More stage directions. "At the sound of the Admiral's voice, the girl wakes up, smiles at him, sits up and stretches. Author's note: I mean, she stretches her arms up 'but' not like an exercise but just natural. The Admiral smiles at her."

He looked in the mirror again and acted. "What's your name, my girl?" But as Andy voiced the line, he stopped dead and began to mumble. "Now what's her name going to be? Tahiti, Tahiti, Tahiti, Tahiti—Tahiti, Tahiti." He paused, then said again "Tahiti." It was like beautiful, rippling water. But would the audience like it? He tried it out. "Tahiti," he intoned imploringly. Then his voice changed. "Tahiti," he rasped fiercely. Then loudly, challengingly, he shouted, "Tahiti!"

He nodded with satisfaction. "Tahiti," it would be.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dick Foran, The Rocky Mountaineers and The London Piano-Accordion Band.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado"—Brail the Raven Hair, Beatrice Elburn (Soprano) and Chorus of Girls; The Sun, Whose Rays are all Ablaze, Elsie Griffin (Soprano) with Orchestra; Brightly Dawns our Wedding Day, E. Griffin, D. Homingway, D. Oldham, and G. Baker; Here's a How-De-Do!, Elsie Griffin, Derek Oldham and Henry A. Lytton; Mi-Ya Sa-Ma, Bertha Lewis, D. Fancourt and Chorus; A More Humane Mikado, Darrell Fancourt and Chorus of Men; The Criminal Cried, A. Davies, H. A. Lytton, L. Sheffield and Chorus; See How The Fates, D. Fancourt, B. Lewis, A. Davies, H. A. Lytton, L. Sheffield; The Flowers That Bloom

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In The Spring, D. Oldham and H. A. Lytton.

6.25 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.30 An Hour of Dance Music.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.02 Tarlini—Concerto in D Minor—Joseph Szegell (Violin) with Orchestra.

8.16 Richard Strauss—Till's Merry Pranks, Op. 28—The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Fritz Busch.

8.31 Studio—Recital by Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor) and E. O'Neil Shaw (Piano)—1. (a) Una furtiva lagrima (from "Elixir d'amore", Donizetti), (b) Nel verde maglio (from "Loreley", Catalani), 2. A Granadina (Alvarez), Gaston D'Aquino with Piano accompaniment. 3. Quand il Pleut (Poushnoff), E. O'Neil Shaw at the Piano; 4. Two Neapolitan Songs—(a) Chi se nne scorda cehlu (Barthelemy), (b) Naapullitanatu (Mario Costa); 5. Primavera (Tirindelli), Gaston D'Aquino with Piano accompaniment. 8.57 D'Indy—Suite for Flute, Violin, Viola, Violoncello and Harp. Op. 81—Quintette Instrumental de Paris. 9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45 Dance Music.

10.00 London Relay—Commentary on The Grand National, 1940, from Aintree.

10.25 Variety with Todd Duncan, Elisabeth Welch, Max Miller and The Hill Billies—Little Mountain Cabin, Pop-Eyed Pete, The Hill Billies; Confessions of a Cheeky Chappie, Max Miller; River God, Drums, Todd Duncan with The Drury Land Theatre Orchestra; Harlem in My Heart, One Kiss, Elisabeth Welch with Orchestra; The Hill Billy Band, The Hill Billies; Ohelia, Down in The Valley, Max Miller.

11.00 Close Down.

CHANGE OF OFFICERS

Japanese Vice-Minister Tenders Resignation

Tokyo, Apr. 4. Mr. Fumihide Okada, Vice-Minister of Public Welfare, tendered his resignation to Mr. Shigeru Yoshida, Minister of Public Welfare, to-day. Mr. Okada withheld action until to-day in view of the Diet having been in session.

Mr. Masazuka Kodama, Vice-President of the Military Welfare Board, will be appointed in succession to Mr. Okada. It was decided by Mr. Shigeru Yoshida later—Domel.

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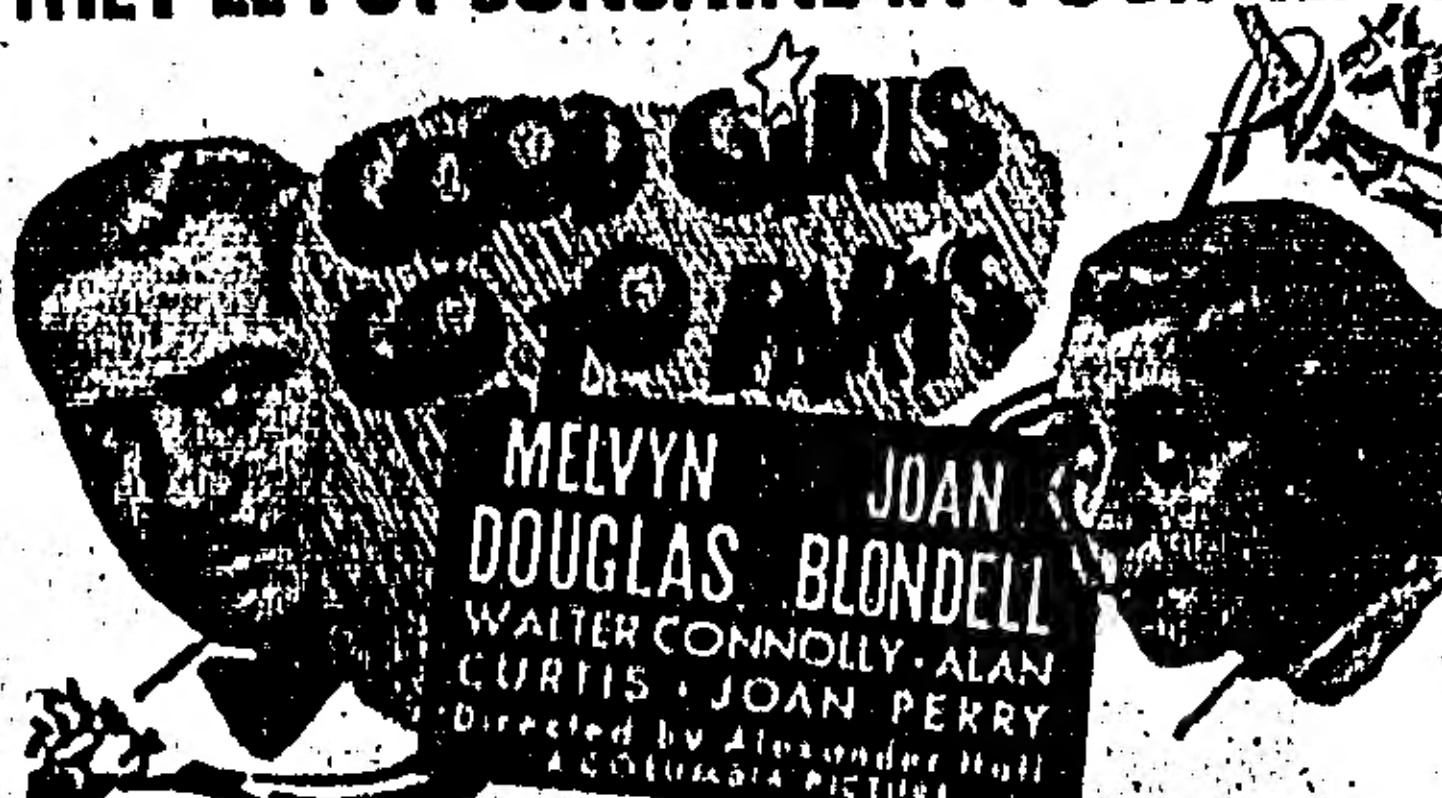
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SECRET SESSION OF COMMONS

LONDON, Apr. 4. (Reuter).—A Secret Session of the House of Commons will be held next Thursday to discuss economic warfare.
The Prime Minister made this announcement this afternoon in the House of Commons in reply to a question by the Rt. Hon. Mr. Attlee who pointed out the difficulty in discussing the conduct of an economic war in public.
Mr. Chamberlain quite agreed that the subject was one of great importance and one which might prove difficult to debate in public.
He would be very glad, he said, to make the necessary arrangements for a secret session.

POLISH CHARGES AGAINST REDS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
PARIS, Apr. 4 (UP).—The Polish Information Centre alleged that an epidemic is following famine at Lwow, in south-eastern Poland.
Aided by the lack of medical supplies, the epidemic is causing 250 deaths daily. Infant mortality has reached 75 per cent.
The Poles charged that the Russians are arresting 500 persons daily, deporting them to Russia in cattle cars. Hundreds are freezing to death in the sub-zero weather.

LATE NEWS

German Says Hitler Must Not Win

NEW YORK.
HEHR ERNST MEYER, counsellor to the German Embassy in Washington until two years ago, writes to the New York "Sunday Times" that if Hitler won the war it would be a defeat for Germany as well as a defeat for Europe.

A Hitler victory would be the greatest tragedy for the German nation, because—

"Then 82,000,000 former Germans settled in the centre of Europe would develop into a tumour in the whole European body."

Herr Meyer comments that the German Army is conscripted, and is not a professional army. It therefore represents as a whole the feelings of the German masses.

"It will turn from Hitler as soon as the masses understand that Hitler is the greatest liability for Germany herself and his power over Germany represents the darkest disaster in her history."

Herr Meyer says the blockade is utterly insufficient to defeat Nazism.
"Millions of Germans are for Hitler. Millions of others are against him. But few Germans would be inclined to exchange immoral serfdom under Hitler for immoral serfdom under a new Versailles Treaty."

"Driven into despair, they might rather turn to open Bolshevism."

MAURETANIA'S MOVES

Honolulu, Apr. 4.
The liner Mauretania will halt at Honolulu probably to-morrow for fuel and water. As she is far off the coast to Australia it is speculated that she will either avoid the obvious course or proceed to the Far East, possibly Manila.—United Press.

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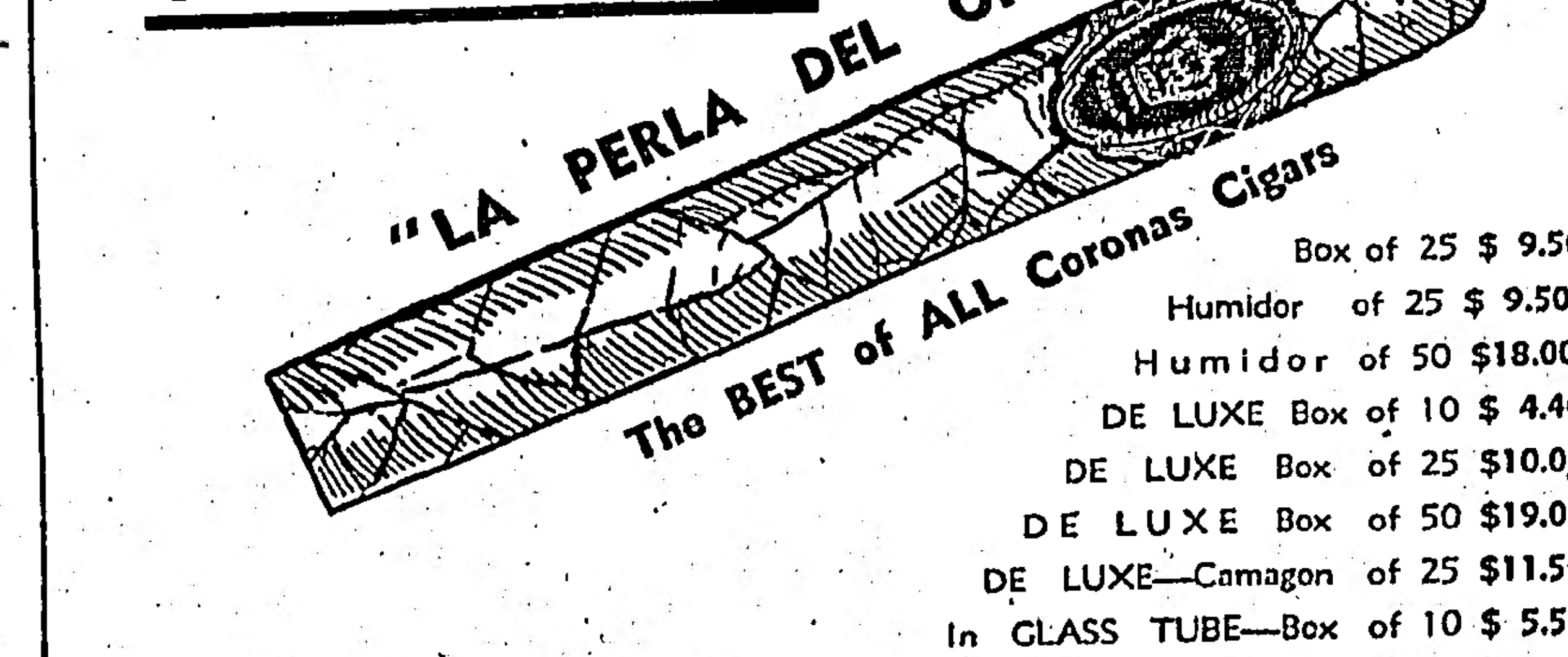
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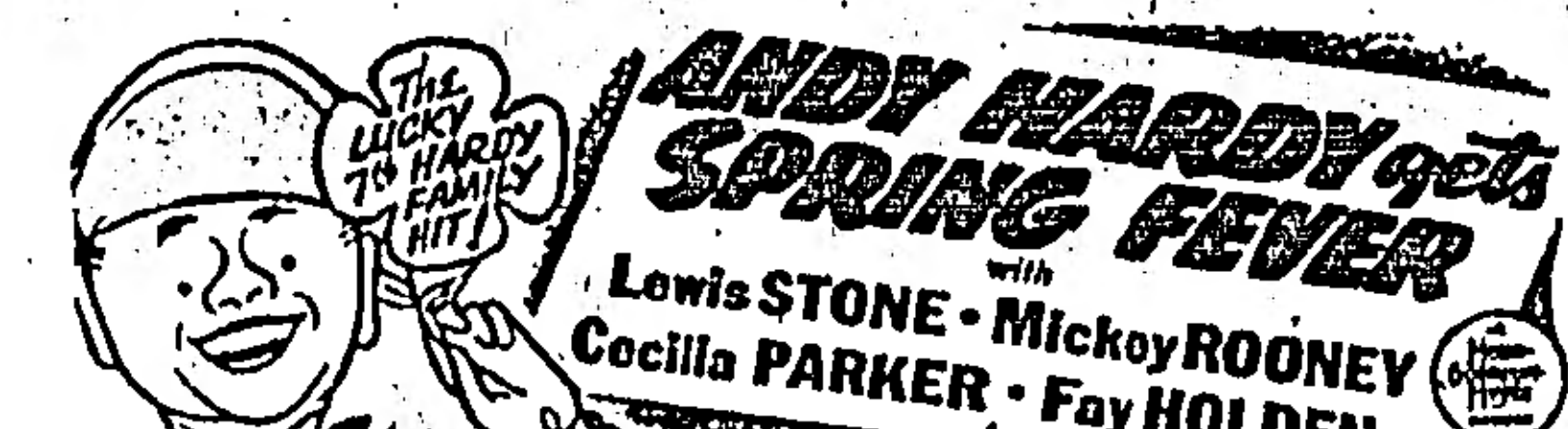
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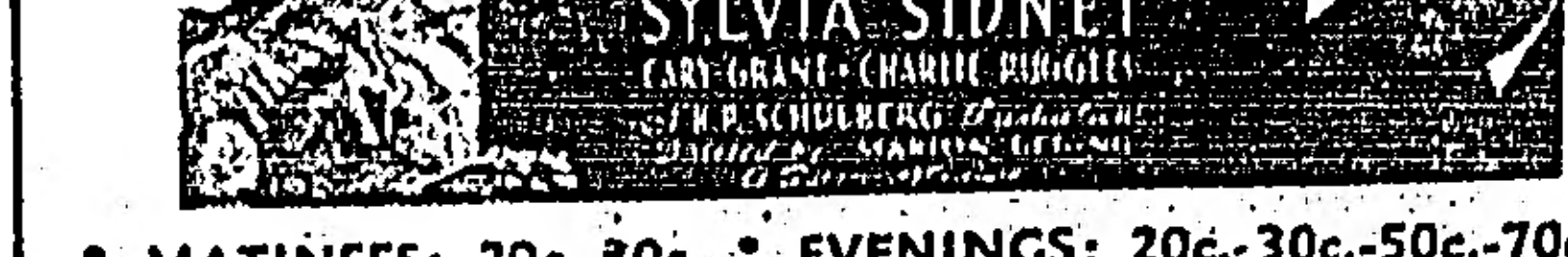
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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, APRIL 4 (UP).—A BATTLE UNIQUE IN AERIAL HISTORY—THE AVIATION EQUIVALENT OF A FIGHT BETWEEN A SLOW ARMED MERCHANTMAN AND SIX SPEEDY PIRATE CRAFT—TOOK PLACE OVER THE NORTH SEA TO-DAY.

The aerial merchantman was a Short Sunderland flying boat (shown on left) prototype of the Imperial Airways flying-boats now used on the service between Australia and England.

The six pirates were speedy German Junkers.

Despite its handicap of lack of speed and general clumsiness, the British machine brought down one—possibly two—of the enemy in one of the most spectacular air duels of the war.

Two of the officers in the British flying boat were injured and the ship was riddled by Nazi bullets.

At one stage the British flying-boat was forced down to within a hundred feet of the sea, while the Germans attempted without success to bomb it from above, as if it were indeed a merchantman.

The battle started when the German planes attempted to attack a convoy. The Sunderland discovered the Junkers, shadowing the convoy.

She immediately engaged them in combat and succeeded in dispersing them at about 1,000 feet altitude. An hour later four more Junkers appeared. They tried to bomb the convoy from a great altitude but the warships guarding the convoy kept up a steady fire and broke the Germans' formation, after which the quartette disappeared.

Bad Time For Junkers
Six more Junkers then appeared and the second phase of the combat began.

Two Germans attacked the Sunderland. The British aircraft met the attack with its fore and aft guns, and after a short struggle the two were shot down. PLEASE Turn To Page 7.

NAVAL OFFICER CHARGED

Arising out of fatal injuries sustained by Lam Shing-chi in a traffic accident when he was struck by a car in Hennessy Road yesterday, a naval officer attached to a British warship now in port appeared at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with manslaughter.

The defendant was Kenneth Duncan Bruce, aged 24, of H.M.S.

Inspector Saunders prosecuted and asked for a week's formal remand. The request was granted by the Magistrate, Mr. H. G. Sheldon. Bruce will appear before Court next Friday.



FRENCH TROOPS moving up through communication trenches into the front lines on the Western Front. This photograph gives some idea of the bitter winter conditions which reigned recently on the Western Front. The end of winter may see the threatened German Blitzkrieg put into effect.—French Official War Photo.

"This Desperado—Destructive To All"

NAZIS SCREAM AT CHURCHILL'S WIDER POWERS

BERLIN, April 4 (UP).—Germany has reacted violently to the wider powers granted to Mr. Winston Churchill in the reconstructed British Cabinet.

The consensus of opinion in Berlin is that the Cabinet re-shuffle and Mr. Churchill's elevation are the prelude to an imminent active phase in the war.

UNEMPLOYMENT FUND PROFIT

Excess Income For 1939 Is \$57,555,222

LONDON, Apr. 4 (British Wireless).—It was stated in the Commons this afternoon that the income of the Unemployment Insurance Fund for the year ended December 31, 1939, exceeded expenditure by £16,601,576, and that there was a net balance of £57,555,222 at the end of year.

Although the state of the fund is very much better than the Unemployment Insurance Fund Statutory Committee had anticipated, the debt of the Fund was just over £77,000,000 at the same date. In the Committee's view it is very probable that there will be severe unemployment after the war and it recommends that £3,700,000 of that balance be allocated to the repayment of debt, thereby freeing from the Fund £1,100,000 yearly while preserving the borrowing powers.

The Committee also recommends the increase of the benefit rate from three to four shillings weekly respecting children, and from 35 to 35 in respect of agricultural contributions.

The Government has decided to accept the proposals and the Commons was asked to approve.

Labour Opposition moved an amendment, asking for application of the balance to increased benefits, and contended that it was the Government's duty to prepare a plan for transition from war to peace economy and to avoid severe unemployment after the war.

Evening newspapers in Berlin bitterly attack England for granting wider power to one who Germany's describes as her arch-enemy.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine" carries the headline "Churchill's Domination of War Cabinet Destructive To All."

"Churchill's Task Is Extension of War," says the "Lokalanzeiger's" banner-line, while the "Boersens Zeitung" screams: "Intensified Machine-Guns. British Action Impending."

The "Deutsche Allgemeine" adds: "What the Allies expect from this desperado is clearly indicated in the French Press."

"The French are deliriously enthusiastic that Churchill's unscrupulous brutality makes possible the ruthless pursuance of the war. The man who has now been placed in control of the Army, Navy and Air Force of England has actually also received political control of the country."

Popular Appointment

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The Cabinet changes are generally regarded here as a reshuffle rather than as a re-organisation. One appointment, however, at least has been enthusiastically received by the press which calls for a large circulation.

This is the appointment of Mr. Winston Churchill, in addition to his post as First Lord of the Admiralty, to the post as head of a Committee of Service Ministers who will make recommendations to the War Cabinet.

The appointment has given rise to such headlines as "Churchill becomes super War Chief," "Churchill to direct War policy."

The newspapers have seized on his appointment as one of the salient facts.

Only the "Daily Herald" hints that PLEASE Turn To Page 7.

Churchill Appointment Prelude To Big Drive

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Apr. 4 (UP).—Great Britain moved towards new offensives on the economic war front to-day when Mr. Chamberlain, addressing the Unionist Association, said: "I feel ten times as confident of victory now as I did at the beginning. I do not believe the nation has ever been so completely united in the broad aims of our policy and in the determination to carry on the fight until we achieve our purpose."

Woman's \$500 Damages Suit

Two Portuguese To Appear In Court

An action, claiming \$500 damages for assault and "insulting expressions," brought by one Portuguese woman against another, was mentioned in the weekly calling-over list of cases before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell in the Summary Court this morning.

Plaintiff is Mrs. Carmen Maria Nunes, and defendant, Mrs. A. Nunes, both of Granville Road. Plaintiff alleges defendant assaulted her and falsely and maliciously used, with reference to her, the Portuguese words "Cabra" and "cadella" and other insulting expressions on two occasions in the presence of her husband, his relatives and other bystanders.

"Vulgar Abuse"

Mr. M. A. da Silva, for defendant, said the words complained of, were nothing but vulgar abuse, for "Cabra" meant she-goat and "Cadella" bitch.

His Lordship: One means a she-goat and the other a she-dog!

His Lordship then inquired if it was likely to be a hard-fought battle. Mr. Silva replied this was apparently so, and asked leave to file a counterclaim, which was granted.

Hearing of the case was fixed for May 6. Mr. P. Wynter-Blyth represents plaintiff.

New economic moves have followed closely on the Cabinet shake-up, which has boosted vigorous Mr. Winston Churchill into a dominating control position.

The developments included the following:

1.—Mr. Chamberlain's announcement of a secret session of Parliament on April 11 to debate on economic warfare.

2.—The revelation by Sir John Simon that a new corporation is being established to conduct economic and trade operations with the Balkans—the current scene of the hottest rivalry between the Allies and Germany.

3.—The Minister of Economic Warfare's statement in the House of Commons.

4.—Disaffection with the Cabinet changes as voiced by the Labour organ, the "Daily Herald," bluntly charging "Chamberlain is out of touch with the mood of the nation which demands a more thorough spring cleaning in the Cabinet."

Of these developments Sir John Simon's announcement is regarded as being of major importance. He emphasised that the new Corporation will not supplant existing trade channels but will utilise them to the fullest extent.

More Optimistic Than Ever

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—After seven months of war, Mr. Chamberlain is ten times more confident of victory than he was at the beginning. This is what he said at the annual meeting of the Central Council of the National Union of the Conservative Association, yesterday.

This, he said, was not based on wishful thinking but on the fact that PLEASE Turn To Page 7.

Japanese To Face Army Of 12,000,000

CHUNGKING, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—China will be able to put 12,000,000 troops in the field for a great counter-offensive "when the opportune moment arrives," authoritative Chinese quarters said to-day.

It is stated that 4,000,000 are already under arms and will be reinforced by 8,000,000 who are now being trained and who are expected to be ready for action in a year.

It is estimated that Japan has about 1,000,000 men at present in China.

Humiliating Suspicion

Britain's Attitude To China Comment

LONDON, Apr. 5 (Reuter).—The "Manchester Guardian" in an editorial comments that Lord Halifax has announced in Parliament that this country continues to recognise the Chungking Government as the legitimate ruler of China, and that we have not in any way changed our general policy.

It is, however, most unfortunate that we should have to make such explanations, says the paper. Why should we be under the humiliating suspicion, whether in the United States or elsewhere, of changing or in any way abating our policy which, like that of the United States itself, rests or should rest on the observance of the Nine Power Treaty assuring justice and freedom to China?

It is necessary to remember, especially at a time when Japan is seeking to attain her ends by diplomatic manoeuvres, that questions of principle are here involved. On these questions of principle we cannot and must not fall short, or even be thought to do so.

Robberies By English Youth Hard Labour Sentence This Morning

A 17-YEAR-OLD ENGLISH YOUTH who admitted to a previous conviction for larceny in England and had been arrested following two robberies in Hongkong, was sentenced to a total of three months imprisonment with hard labour in Stanley Prison by Mr. E. Hims-worth at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning.

The youth, who told the police that he had been living with a Chinese girl in Reclamation Street since he left a Blue Funnel ship, on which he had been employed as deck-boy, was George Broomfield.

He was charged with stealing two ladies' gold wrist watches and \$3.85 in cash, the property of Misses E. Major and A. Hyer, from Marble Hall, and with the theft from a cabin in a Norwegian ship of \$30 U.S.

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Canton 7.00 p.m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 3rd MAY, 1940 at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1939, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 17th APRIL to 3rd MAY, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager,
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1940.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Thirty-fifth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building, on Monday, the 22nd April, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 6th April to 22nd April, 1940, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY
LIMITED.
General Managers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD.

The Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, 5th Floor, on Thursday, 11th April, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, 8th April, to Thursday, 11th, 1940, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1940.

Eden Thanks Canadians Addresses Airmen On Visit To Station

LONDON, Apr. 4 (British Wire- less).—Mr. Anthony Eden flew to an air station in south-west England today and inspected the first Royal Canadian Air Force Squadron to be sent to this country after recruitment and training in Canada for overseas service.

Mr. Eden, congratulating the men, said it was obvious that they had already made so much progress that they were prepared for any task that they were called upon to perform, and he expected that all were eager for the moment when that task came. Drawn as they were from all parts of Canada, the unity and determination of all Canadian people to stand side by side with the Allies in the common task was expressed in their unity.

The Vanguard
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Discussing the issues at stake Mr. Eden said: "Until Hitlerism and all it stands for is destroyed, there is no means of creating that better world which we want to see for ourselves and our children. Because you from Canada have come to help us in that task we can never cease to be grateful. On behalf of the Government I thank you and wish you good luck and God speed."

STOCK EXCHANGE STEADY

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuters).—The Stock Exchange opened quietly and was steady. Later the market tended to ease on lack of support though gold-mining shares resisted the downward trend.

After the close, the I.C.I. declared a final dividend of five per cent., thereby maintaining the year's distribution of eight per cent. Wall Street was firm and active.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of April, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Boundary	Locality	Measurements	Contents	Annual	Upset
Registry No.			N. S. E. W.	in feet	Rent	Price
1	Kowloon Island Lot No. 4239	Junction of Ma Tau Chung Road and Ma Tau Chung	1st 100 feet 2nd 100 feet 3rd 100 feet 4th 100 feet	As per sale plan.	About \$270	\$2,750

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of April, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Boundary Street, Ma Tau Wei, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof. Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Boundary	Locality	Measurements	Contents	Annual	Upset
Registry No.			N. S. E. W.	in feet	Rent	Price
2	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2021	Junction of Boundary Street and College Road	1st 100 feet 2nd 100 feet 3rd 100 feet 4th 100 feet	As per sale plan.	About \$180	\$1,700

G. R.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Boundary	Locality	Measurements	Contents	Annual	Upset
Registry No.			N. S. E. W.	in feet	Rent	Price
3	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2022	Junction of Boundary Street and College Road	1st 100 feet 2nd 100 feet 3rd 100 feet 4th 100 feet	As per sale plan.	About \$180	\$1,700

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In GERMANY Now

HOW is the foreign traveller received in Germany? His experience varies from place to place and with one person and another—but all in all he is not too welcome. One who has just returned to Holland looked up in the Rhine-land an old friend who was formerly an active trade unionist, now out of work and wondering where his next meal was coming from.

"What are you doing here?" he asked.

"Well, I want to know how you all are."

"Rotten... damned rotten. And if I am seen talking to a foreigner I shall be arrested and things will be even worse. So I'm delighted to see you—and you would better be off, believe me."

When I went to an hotel (adds this traveller), and had no ration card, I felt they begrudged me what little food they gave me. It was merely the choice between potatoes and an egg. Plenty of bread, beer or wine.

Next day, I found a Wuppertal industrialist more friendly, but he scrupulously avoided the subject of the war, except for a few remarks about conditions on the home front.

Food—On Paper

HIS wife added some details of her own difficulties. Apart from food, the soap and textile shortage disconcerts the smooth running of every home.

"If you ate with us," she said, "we should have no tablecloth or napkins. We use paper ones now. Something must be sacrificed to keep our allowance of soap for absolute essentials."

Rationing is enforced on most commodities in everyday use in the home. For all kinds of food, each person has 108 ration coupons per month. Taking the population as 80,000,000 Germans, this means that about 8,500,000,000 coupons must

Mr. Eden Inspects Canadians

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuters).—Mr. Anthony Eden, the Secretary for the Dominions, flew to an R.A.F. station in south-west England today to inspect the army co-operation squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Force in training there.

After inspecting the squadron, Mr. Eden said it was obvious that the men were ready and eager for any task they might be called on to perform.

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One of the food queues that can be seen in most parts of Germany to-day.

be handed over to grocers, bakers and butchers every month, sorted, and passed on to some central organisation. This does not include butter or fat cards which are stamped in the shops with each sale.

Window Dressing

YET despite the fact that hundreds of small shops have closed through lack of supplies, those that remain put up a wonderful show to the casual passer-by. But the packets that seem to be tea, coffee, butter and so on are all dummies.

And the smart clothes in the big stores of Berlin and other cities cannot be bought by any casual shopper who has forgotten his or her textile ration card.

Wives spend most mornings of the week standing in queues for their food allowances. They cannot plan any meal in advance, for they never know on which day any particular product will be available. Most cheerful day is the one on which the one egg per person per week can be had, and the egg proves, on arrival home, to be bad.

Still Wheels

PETROL rationing has made the streets of Berlin quiet and lifeless. Only one in ten of privately-owned cars is granted a permit for use. In the busy industrial district of Rhein-Wupper, when it was found that the proportion was 15 per cent., a few days ago, 600 cars were ordered off the roads.

Coal shortage, the result of transport disorganisation, has caused the greatest hardships so

to express. Most people have some acquaintance who has been in trouble through an unwary word at some time.

Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Poland have proved bitter disappointments to the man-in-the-street, who thought they would solve Germany's problems of want. But he dare not say so.

Why No Masks?

BLACK-OUT is enforced throughout Germany with varying degrees of severity. Few people have gas-masks.

Two explanations are given for this. (1) that Britain and France would never use gas on civilians, (2) that Germany has not enough rubber to spare to make gas-masks for the whole population.

In industry there is rumbling but unexpressed discontent. Wages are low, deductions are high and working families have nothing to spare for any amusement or small luxuries.

When signs of open discontent appear some small sop is given. A minor wage increase is granted or there is a promise of holidays to come. The increase frequently proves illusory through the addition of some new tax a few weeks later.

Thousands of shopkeepers and former non-productive workers have been ejected into industrial work by promises, or driven in by threats.

Biggest Grouse

BOYS of 16 are working in the heavy industries of the Ruhr, and when their health shows signs of breaking they are packed off to what were once the luxury hotels of foreign visitors to German spas, now used as rest homes.

Workers in all big firms are compelled to eat at the work canteens. It is considered wasteful for hot meals to be prepared in private houses—but no account is taken of the feelings of wives and children in this matter.

Among all the grumbles inevitable in Germany, what is the main grumble of the moment? Observers agree in saying that there is particular bitterness about the way young Nazis of military age stick to soft jobs at home.

Their actions and behaviour have led to much ill-feeling and some incidents. Reports say that within the past week they have been warned, from high up in the party, to act with less insolence towards the long-suffering non-uniformed members of the public and their wives. Such is Germany after nearly five months of war.

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MAGAZINE PAGE

by **SIR KINGSLEY WOOD**



We sincerely regret it, and we are doing our best to reduce it to a minimum.

But we feel that we are justified in asking those who are affected to remember that we are not only fighting for our existence as a nation but also for the existence of all those principles without which life would not be worth living.

We would urge them, when they feel the inconvenience that is necessarily imposed by war on

Russia, has swallowed up a third of Poland. She has established an undisputed mastery over the Baltic States, hitherto regarded by Germany as an essential part of her living space.

No wonder doubts are spreading among the people of Germany, doubts which were fostered and intensified by the arrival of the German exiles from the Baltic States. It is not only that, but she has seen the virtual dissolution of the anti-Communist group which she had so laboriously built up.

WE MUST WIN!

neutral States, to ponder also the alternative of the whole of Europe suffering the unspeakable horrors which are even now being perpetrated on the unhappy Polish people.

There is, in fact, a gulf between our own and Nazi conceptions that cannot be bridged.

We believe—and we have in the British Empire a great and living example—that all nations, big and small, should not only live peacefully side by side but that they can and should all work together for the advancement of the common well-being.

Our system of international relations is based upon the respect of rights and sovereignty of other nations, however small and however weak. Hitler's conception, as we have seen, is that the rights of other nations are to be measured not by justice or their individual contributions to civilisation but by their armed strength alone.

The whole world has indeed witnessed how, without excuse or pause, Hitler has carefully planned and ruthlessly carried out his attacks on one small State after another, and then outraged and enslaved them. They will rise again.

★ ★ ★
THERE is no possible doubt that the conditions in German-occupied Poland are simply abominable. They are far worse than in Russian-occupied Poland.

The Vatican broadcast of January 22 spoke of "the horror and innumerable excesses committed on a helpless and homeless people" which has been "established by the unimpeachable testimony of eye-witnesses."

German methods in occupied Poland since September passed through two phases. They tried first to terrorise the population by shooting individuals picked at random from the towns. In Konin, for instance, they decided to shoot thirty-five people, and they collected thirty-four victims, and then, finding they were short of one, sent into a chemist's shop and seized the first person they found.

They then realised that these methods would not avail them and lead nowhere, and they decided to decimate the natural leaders of the national movement—the Polish Government estimates the number already shot at 15,000.

There have, indeed, been cases of actual torture. Conditions in the concentration camps are appalling. Religion is systematically persecuted. The crowning iniquity, in the words of the Vatican broadcast, "lies in the cynical suppression of all but the merest suggestion of religious worship in the lives of one of the most pious and devotional of the peoples of Europe."

★ ★ ★
IT is no wonder there is uneasiness in Germany to-day.

Prolonged repression and individual privations also do not make for confidence and gaiety. Her deteriorating financial and economic position cannot provoke anything but serious concern amongst many of the German people.

But there is another and more compelling cause of Germany's uneasy state of mind. It lies in Germany's connection with Soviet Russia. The scale of their understanding is unknown outside the Kremlin and the inner circles of the Nazi party.

It may be wide or it may be narrow, but one thing is certain, and that is that it will be broken just as soon as it suits the books of Germany to break it.

There is another matter. Not even Ribbentrop would suggest that Germany has drawn any great advantage either political or material from this uneasy partnership.

What about the material side, where Hitler and the Nazis expected to recoup their political losses? Here again there has been nothing but disappointment. Russian transport difficulties, many preoccupations of the Finnish war, must have greatly damaged any hope that there may have been of Germany obtaining adequate supplies of oil and raw materials from Russia.

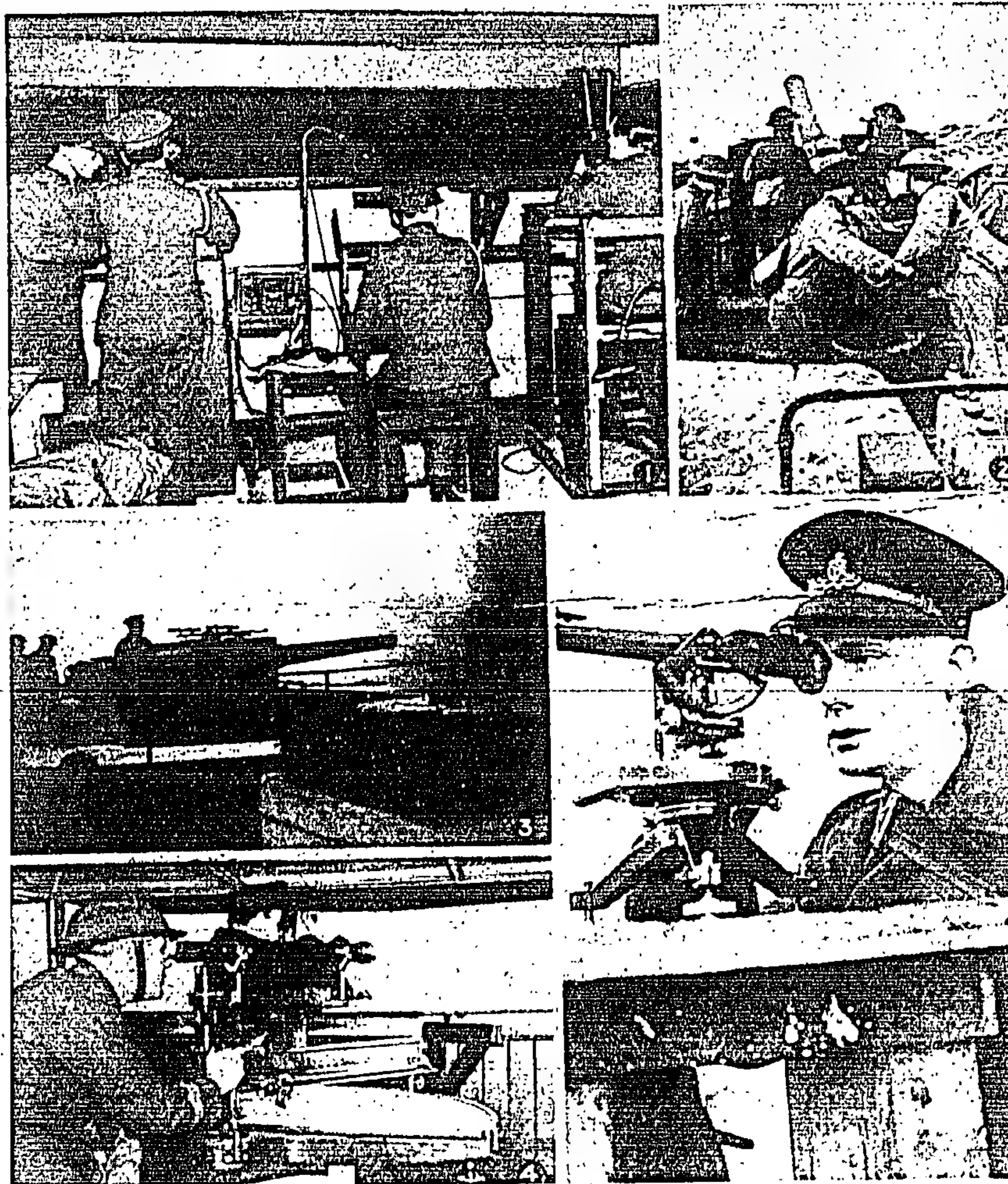
It is clear—whether it is wide or narrow in its scope—the agreement is an uncertain and doubtful bargain, based on nothing but what seemed to be a temporary political advantage.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Friends of the bride will be seated on the right—friends of the groom on the left—neutrals, in the rear!"

PHOTONEWS



WATCH ON BRITAIN'S COAST

BECAUSE invasion of Britain from the sea is not regarded by the British man-in-the-street as a serious possibility, little is known of Britain's coastal defence batteries.

But these batteries not only exist—they are a constant challenge to an invader and they form a vital part of the country's defences.

During the last war only one or two batteries on the east coast came into action, but to-day the watch on the coast goes on day and night. The guns are manned by the Royal Artillery and the searchlights by the Royal Engineers. All were, before the war, members of the Territorial Army and to-day the batteries they serve are for the most part on the

coasts of their own native counties.

At all times there has been a steady and sufficient flow of recruits, many of whom are veteran gunners who did service on the various battle fronts in the last war and whose experience now serves them well. Their training and readiness to serve releases younger men for more active service.

★ ★ ★
THOUGH many veterans of the last war are included in the ranks, the standard of physical fitness required is high as the men have to be on duty in all weathers and also have the heavy task of loading the guns.

The batteries are placed at strategic points along Britain's coastline. They are equipped

with close defence and counter bombardment guns. Their combined strength had turned Britain into a fortress, safe from sea attack on its shores.

Monotony is the coast watcher's greatest enemy, as the opportunity to bring the guns into play may never occur, but the coastal batteries are, nevertheless, a vital part of the home defences.

CAPTIONS:

- 1.—Observation and control post.
- 2.—Loading a gun.
- 3.—One of the 12 guns in action.
- 4.—Watching results of shell fire.
- 5.—A picture typifying the constant watch that is being kept at each of these Coastal Batteries.

MORE FAVOURITES ON REX RECORDS JUST RECEIVED

- 0503—Emperor waltz. (Strauss) Belgrave Salon Orch.
Española waltz. (Waltz)
0501—The Great Waltz. Selection Palmo Scales Accordion Band.
0540—Mexicali rose Roy Smock & Hawaiian Serenaders.
I promise you.
0500—Beer Barrel polka Maxwell Stewart's Orch.
Shut eye.
0507—Umbrella man Brian Lawrence & Orch.
I miss you in the morning.
0502—Palala Stroll Maxwell Stewart's Orch.
Park parade.
0640—Japanese sandman Coydo McCoy & Orch.
Tee for two.
0638—I poured my heart into a song Jny Wilbur & Band.
Love never grows old. Waltz.
0652—Songs the boys are singing Primo Scales Accordion Band.
0704—In an Eighteenth Century drawing Jny Wilbur's Band.
How beautiful you are.
0700—I shall be waiting Billy Cottons Band.
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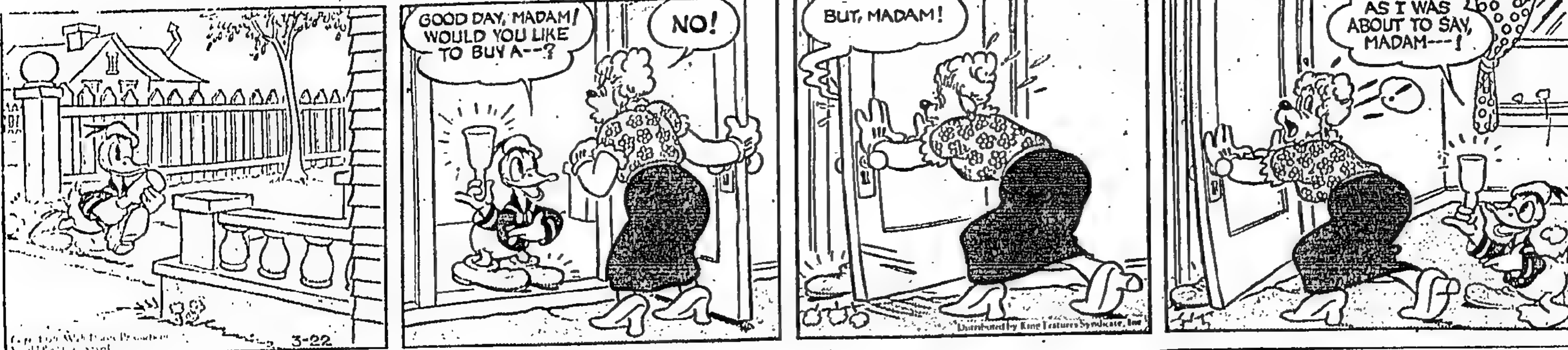
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Mystery 'British' Radio Pirate Attacks Britain

HE'S WAITING FOR THE NAZIS



An Australian soldier practising with a machine-gun before leaving for active service.

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA FOR THE RESERVISTS

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

CANBERRA. The late Sir Charles Kingsford Smith's famous 'plane, the Southern Cross, which was reported to be falling to pieces in a shed, at Macquarie, through lack of care, will not be housed in the National War Museum at Canberra.

It was explained officially on Monday that the War Memorial Board of Management could not accept exhibits other than relics of the last war.

The Director of Civil Aviation denied that the Southern Cross, in which the late Sir Charles Kingsford Smith made several famous record flights, was lying neglected, as reported at Canberra.

Mr. Corbett explained that the Government had purchased the plane, intending to place it in a memorial hangar, housing relics showing the progress of Australian aviation, but, because of the war, and the fact that such a building would cost several thousand pounds, the project had been postponed.

COMMUNIST PARTY

HUNDEBERG. The City Council has agreed to a motion urging the Federal Government to have the Communist Party declared an illegal organisation.

A motion brought forward at the request of the Balmainshire Council, which recently made a similar decision, was carried on the casting vote by the Mayor (Alderman F. Bush).

SLIGHT EARTHQUAKE

MELBOURNE. Several Melbourne suburbs experienced a slight earth tremor at 5 a.m. today. The tremor was accompanied by a trembling noise which awoke many people. In one or two instances crockery falling from shelves was reported.

TAIROA SAILORS

MELBOURNE. News of the release of the Altmarek captives was received on Monday with joy by relatives of several Sydney and Melbourne men.

Mrs. Katherine O'Brien, of Brunswick, received the following message from her son, who was a member of the Tairoa's crew: "Arrived in England, safe, Pat."

Mrs. E. Evans, of South Melbourne, also learned that her son, George Kenneth John Evans, also a member of the Tairoa's crew, was safe. He was 20 and was making his first voyage.

STUBBS SETS RECORD

SYDNEY. A. J. Stubbs (Sydney) created a world's record by walking a mile in 6min. 15.4sec. at the Sports Ground on Saturday. He was competing on the final day of the State track and field championships.

J. P. McEneaney won his 21st State championship. He won the running broad jump by clearing 22ft. 10 1/2 in.

and retained the javelin throw with an effort of 160ft. 3 1/2 in.

P. Foster won the 440 yards championship in 49.4sec. This time has been bettered only once in a State title race, although it is 1.5sec. outside the Australian record.

A great battle in the 120 yards hurdles championship resulted in F. E. Poppellwin taking an inches victory from his fellow club mate, S. G. Sten, who was last year's winner.

S. H. Suhun won the 800 yards by 30 yards in 2min. 1sec., lowering T. G. Gleeson's 1939 record by 0.4sec.

KIMBER V. NEGUS

MELBOURNE. Al. Kimber (9.12 1/2) of Sydney, caused a surprise by stopping Wyn. Negus (10.2 1/2) in the eighth round of a 12-round match, at the Melbourne Stadium on Saturday night. He is the first to score a knockout over Negus.

Kimber, who arrived only today, lived up to his reputation of having a good left hand, but did not use it as often or as skillfully as Negus had against Negus. However, when it landed it had plenty of snap, while his right, particularly in the last few rounds, carried more pep than many suspected.

Sang "Roll Out Barrel" As Ship Sank

WHILE their ship was turning turtle and they were sliding down her hull, with the aid of a knotted rope, to reach only today, members of the London tanker British Triumph (8,501 tons) sang "Roll Out the Barrel."

"It was the third officer who got the song going," said one of the 21 survivors landed at Grimsby.

The British Triumph was damaged by an explosion late on Monday night. In two hours she capsized. Twenty-one other men, including the captain, were landed at another port. Five men are missing.

Boy's Second Escape

Arthur Marshall, the 16-year-old assistant radio operator, who had recently joined the ship after recovering from an injury received when the steamer San Calisto was blown up in December, was saved.

"Two exciting adventures," the boy said. "But they don't scare me. I'll be looking for another ship soon."

Rowing for their lives in a foot-deep layer of burning oil 30 men

'STOP THE WAR' TIRADE

A NEW mystery radio station, announcing itself as the New British Broadcasting Station, is on the air.

The programme opened with Loch Lomond, played slowly on a piano. In this, deliberate tones the English announcer then said:

"You are listening to the New British Broadcasting Station, which you will hear transmitting for times a night. We address ourselves to every Britisher who loves his country, no matter what party he belongs to."

Then he started with a bitter, anti-British and "stop the war" tirade. Again and again came phrases familiar to Germans who listen to German broadcasts.

"They speak of splitting Germany into fragments and making these Nazis toe the line. They do not realise that a strong nation will never give up its idea of unity once it is established in the hearts of the people."

Powerful Transmitter

"Humiliation and even defeat at the hands of a foreign Power can only increase the unity of a political party. Why are we fighting? Because Germany's new economic and financial system cuts across the principles of international capitalism and threatens the destruction of international Jewry."

Radio experts said they doubted if the broadcast could have been made with a portable mobile transmitter of the type necessarily used by a pirate broadcaster.

It is more likely that it was given from a powerful foreign transmitter using an unauthorised wavelength. The strength and steadiness of reception could not have been achieved by a small transmitting unit.

The broadcast ended with the very quick playing of "God Save the King."

An official of the B.B.C. said: "This is the first time this new station has cropped up. Its first transmission we heard indifferently, but we shall go on listening to it to see what these broadcasters are up to."

"At present it is impossible to establish where it is coming from."

M.P. says that most M.P.s are career hunters

MR. ANDREW McLAREN, Socialist M.P. for Burslem, told a meeting of the London Scots Self-Government Committee that the majority of people who entered Parliament were career hunters.

"What a fine thing it would be," he said, "if you went home quietly one night and told your wife 'I am a Cabinet Minister.'"

"When the Socialist Party first got into office there was a very obvious attitude of 'at last we have arrived.' The conceits and contortions of the poor creatures that formed that Government were pathetic."

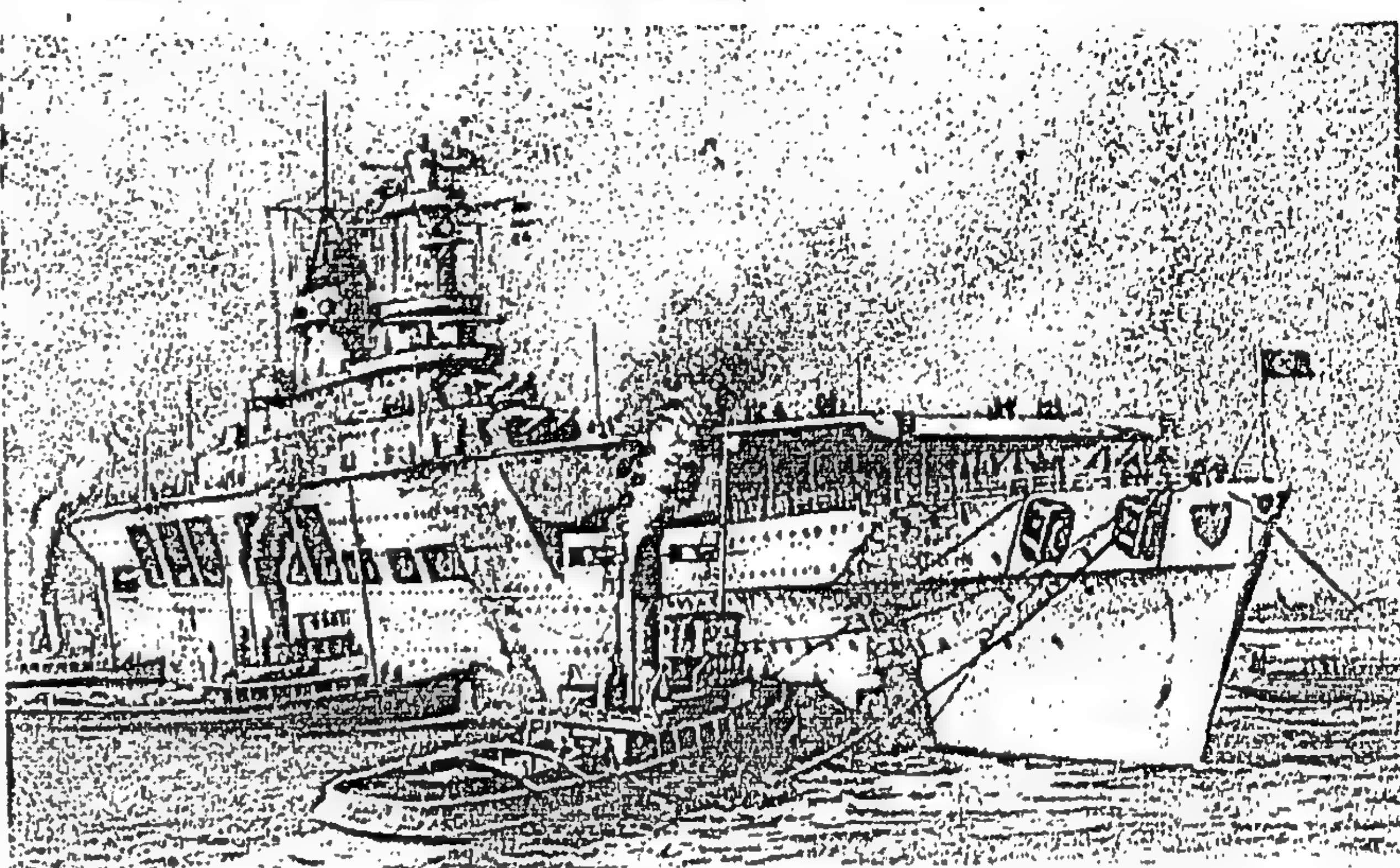
Mr. McLaren also asserted that there are more sheep in London than in the countryside.

One had only to look at the people who stared vacantly and stupidly outside a fashionable church at a wedding which they knew nothing about to realise that.

escaped from the blazing Newcastle tanker Greatfield (10,101 tons) before she was sunk by an explosion off the North-East coast of Scotland early yesterday.

Thirteen men are missing. When the crew of the Swedish steamer Dalara (3,927 tons) was landed at an Irish port yesterday it was confirmed that the vessel had been torpedoed by a U-boat which afterwards shelled it.

HERE IS THE NAZIS NEW AIRCRAFT CARRIER



An artist's impression of the Graf Zeppelin, the first aircraft carrier of the Nazi Navy, nearing completion at Kiel.

Risked Death at 15,000-ft. for A Thrill

Canadian Said: "It was so grand up there"

By ANDRE MAUROIS

TROUSSEAUX RATIONED BY NAZIS

By WILLI FRISCHAUER
 SPECIAL ration cards for trousseaux and "bottom drawers" are now being issued in Germany. Before a bride-to-be is given a card a registrar must confirm officially that the banns for her marriage have been put up.

Brides who make their own trousseau can obtain threads and needles to the value of 5d. in excess of their normal ration.

AUSTRIA, where rationing is more severe than in most parts of greater Germany, now has "black markets" for foodstuffs. Fantastic prices are being paid for poultry sold without ration cards—£5 for a large goose and £1 5s. for a chicken are typical.

"THESE YOUNG PILOTS THAT THE DOMINIONS ARE SENDING US," SAID THE COMMANDER OF THE SCHOOL "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE," "ARE SPLENDID... BUT SOMETIMES A LITTLE FRIGHTENING."

"The other day I sent one up to do his height test. We forbade him to go above 10,000ft. without oxygen. The weather was marvellous—bright sunshine and a sky as blue as any sky of Italy."

"When he got up our young Canadian was as intoxicated with the purity of it all as a lark or a spring poet; so he went on climbing... 12,000ft... 15,000... And then, doubtless, his head failed him and he dived flat out."

"Pilots are advised to straighten up when they reach a certain height, but when descent is so rapid the needle lags behind the altitude and this young man got nearly to the ground at full speed."

"When I saw this meteor approaching, my knees sagged a little and I said to myself, 'Poor little devil. That's that.' But that was not that."

Without Mishap

"Our Canadian landed with a shocking din of trembling stays and metal, but without mishap. Once reassured, I naturally lost my temper, had him brought in, and said:

"That was all merely stupid. . . . What good did it do? Now you've got an appalling headache. Sorry, sir, he said, but I haven't a headache."

"You've split an ear-drum then? Sorry, sir, he said again, but I've not split an ear-drum."

"Well, in any case, you've behaved in a ridiculous manner. I see that now, sir, he said, but it was so grand up there."

"At that moment a young man saluted us as he passed."

"That's rather a curious case," said the Commodore. "He's a young actor who, without ever having been up in an aeroplane, had a part in a propaganda film, 'The Lion Has Wings.' And he liked the part so much that as soon as the film was finished, he took up flying."

All of which goes to make excellent pilots.

ARCHBISHOP'S COMMITTEE DECIDED—

SPIRITUALISM IS TRUE ("Says The")

"THE Church of England, by nine votes to three, has decided that Spiritualism is true," says the "Psychic News." "The nine were all the influential members of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Committee on spiritualism." The three, who are described as unimportant and unknown, merely reserved their opinion.

The signatories to the majority report, it is stated, include such distinguished men as—

Dr. William Brown, the celebrated psychologist;

Dr. W. R. Matthews, Dean of St. Paul's;

Canon H.ansen, Master of the Temple; and

Canon Laurence William Grinstead of Oxford, Examining Chaplain to the Archbishop of York.

"Unauthorised and inaccurate," replies the Primate's chaplain.

"Whatever conclusion the committee may have arrived at," says the Bishop of Bath and Wells, chairman of the committee, "it could not commit the Church of England."

"Time is Ripe"

The "Psychic News" adds:— "The committee was appointed about three years ago after the Rev. G. Maurice Elliott and Dr. Francis Underhill, then Dean of Rochester, but now Bishop of Bath and Wells, had interviewed the Archbishop of York and pleaded that the time was ripe for the Church of England to investigate Spiritualism."

Soon after, the Primate set up a committee consisting of members of the clergy, representatives of science, law and philosophy, appointing Dr. Underhill as chairman.

Their sole aim, in the words of the Bishop of Bath and Wells, was "to arrive at truth."

For over two years, the committee sat with mediums, sometimes with a famous European diplomat who had championed spiritualism, heard witnesses, and examined the evidence.

58 Years Reporter

Herbert Wye, who in 1892 reported the last public speech of the Duke of Clarence, uncle of the King, and has attended royal events in five reigns, has just retired after fifty-eight years in London journalism.

Bench Refused His £1—In Coppers

"I'll go and fetch it," said Augustus Newman John Davies, a 19-year-old farmer, of Brook Farm, Marden, when he was fined £1 at Hereford police court.

He returned and handed to the magistrate's clerk £1 worth of coppers in two bags. The Bench refused to accept the money. Davies went away again—and this time he returned with two 10s. notes.

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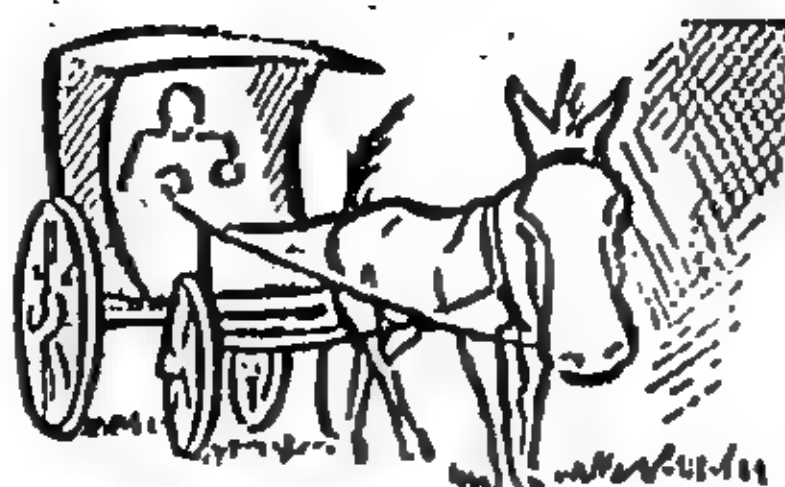
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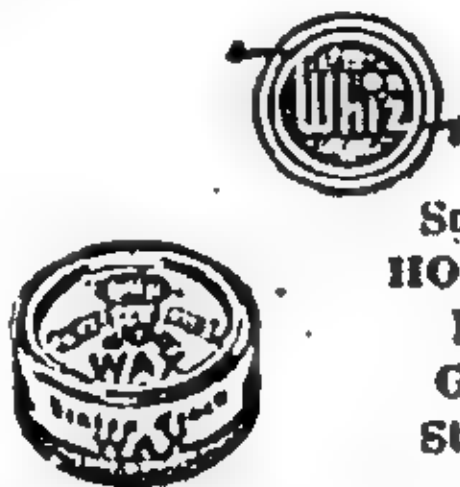
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Rewards of Service

The small sum left by the late James Savage, Prime Minister of New Zealand, is welcome evidence that there are political leaders who approach their high office with no thought of self-enrichment.

Perhaps France, among the democratic countries, has been conspicuous for its Chief Executives who have personally preferred to live in humble style. A notable example was Emile Loubet, President during the Dreyfus case, who was a man of humble means and habits. His successor, Armand Fallieres, of peasant stock, could be seen after retirement tending his little southern vineyard. Poincare, though comfortably provided for, lived modestly and never travelled by limousine if a railroad was available.

In Britain, tradition has usually set the Prime Minister among the possessing classes. Lloyd George, Liberal wartime premier and originally a provincial reformer, was an exception. So was Ramsay MacDonald, first Labour Prime Minister.

In Australia, the late Mr. Joseph A. Lyons, who died last year, left only £386.

American Presidents, while enjoying the financial advantages offered in their newly developed country, have by no means consistently maintained themselves in affluence. President Washington began as almost the wealthiest landowner in the United States, with tens of thousands of acres and hundreds of slaves. Yet as a result of the war he had to borrow money to settle his debts and pay his travelling expenses to New York, when elected President. Jefferson, owner of 10,000 acres, ended his career in straitened circumstances. Jackson and McKinley both knew the meaning of hard times.

Democracy, more than any other form of government, has set up lofty principles by which its actions are constantly being measured. Yet in calling upon large numbers of citizens, the temptation to self-interest and self-enrichment is considerable. The example set by public-spirited leaders of the type of Mr. Savage is therefore a vital contribution to the integrity and survival of democratic ideals.

LORD BEAVERBROOK, owner of the London "Daily Express," the newspaper with the world's greatest circulation, has written a series of articles on Britain's position to-day, after seven months of war. In pursuance of his decision to offer the series to leading newspapers throughout the British Empire, Lord Beaverbrook has forwarded the articles to the "Telegraph" for publication in Hongkong. The first appears below.

"Make Ye Sure To Each His Own"

In 1870, with a population of 26 millions, we had 17½ million acres of arable land. Now we have 45 millions of population and under 12 million acres in cultivation. How can we make up that shortage in our food production?

by

LORD BEAVERBROOK

VICTORY in the war depends on supplies of food.

There must be production and import to feed the populations here and on the fighting fronts. There must be production at home and import from abroad to supply our needs in feeding-stuffs for beasts and poultry.

What are the prospects and the possibilities?

First of all, our requirements. In spite of the rationing, we need more food now than we did before war began. That increase in our needs is due to the soldiers, who must be fed on a fighting basis.

That is to say, they must have the supplies necessary for men exposed to the elements, undertaking heavy labour, working long hours at arduous tasks and strenuous duties.

Then again, there is the immense inflow of troops from overseas, and the camp-followers and refugees from many lands.

To some extent these extra demands upon our food stocks are offset by the rationing restrictions on those who lead sheltered lives and pass their days in sedentary occupations.

So here is a problem intensified by the incidence of the war. Indeed, we have a good idea of the degree to which our consumption increases in war. For it has been estimated after the experience of the last war that food supplies must be increased as much as 20 per cent. of the total consumption of any country engaging in battle front.

To consider the situation fully, we must first of all have a clear conception of the relative importance of home production and imports from abroad into Britain.

Two-thirds of the food we eat comes from abroad. One-third is grown in our own fields. There is no denying that home production ought to have been speeded up before the war. But there is no use in looking back longingly into the past. We must peer into the future instead.

We must consider the contribution which can be made by home production to help the war effort. What can we expect from the fields and the farmers of Britain? What can we ask them to do for us now?

FIRST, we can look for a much bigger acreage under the plough. J. F. Wright tells me that the present programme has brought half a million additional acres into our total of ploughed land. It is not enough. It is not as much as we have a right to expect. A method must be devised by which the arable land of Britain is increased by four million acres. And it is perfectly possible to achieve that result. The land is there, waiting for the plough.

Back in 1870, that must be the cry. 1870, when, with a population of 26 millions, we had 17½ million acres of arable land, as against the 1940 figure of 45 millions of population and less than 12 million acres.

This would be a development immensely increasing our home supplies of food for man and beast. Then we can increase our livestock in every direction, especially if we have plenty of fodder. We can increase our herds, which have lately suffered a serious decline.

John Edwards tells me that, since the outbreak of war, our sheep numbers have been depleted by half a million head out of 8,000,000. That our total stock of live pigs has gone down by half a million out of 3,750,000.

Gilbert Kidner estimates that the shortage of feeding-stuffs has caused a loss of five million birds out of 200,000 on the poultry farms and in the farmyards of Britain.

There is certainly a pressing necessity for an increase in hens. For we should produce all the eggs we require.

Now this decline in cattle, pigs and poultry, due to the failure in supply of foodstuffs, must be restored forthwith as increased quantities become available. And we must further provide for very considerable improvement in livestock as well.

SO here is the demand: That our producers the farming people, should give us more than sixteen million acres under the plough. In 1918 we were within 200,000 acres of that figure. They should increase livestock until our herds of cattle reach more than eleven million head. Five million pigs and more than 20 million poultry to provide all our egg and table birds. An increase from twenty-five million to thirty million sheep on our pastures would be desirable.

It is necessary to increase the herds. If we do so, we have the

stock in reserve. And there is no store of food so good as animals in the pastures.

So when you hear the old, bad argument which thoughtless people put forward that it is easier to import beef than feeding-stuffs, reject it. When you hear the story that more food value is obtained by farming for grain and potatoes than by growing meat, reject it too. We have plenty of acres for both.

That is the broad picture of what waits to be accomplished in developing production. That is the main task. But there is also consumption. What can be done in that direction to regulate our national life to the wartime situation?

This is a matter in which the whole population is interested. Every household is concerned. So also are the restaurants and the clubs, and, indeed, every public place where food is served.

And the whole public should co-operate with the producers by diverting our consumption to the foodstuffs which can be grown in our own country.

FIRST and foremost come potatoes. We should eat more of them, at the expense of items of diet which must be carried to Britain from over the seas. We grow all the potatoes we require at present. But we could extend the acreage under this crop from 610,000 acres to 800,000. In the year 1918 we had an area of more than 800,000 acres growing potatoes. If we get the increased production, it would then be the task of the citizens to use the increased production.

The potato is an article of food possessing immense nourishing qualities. We eat four pounds of potatoes a week each. That consumption should be increased, with benefit to the nation's food position and advantage to the well-being of the community.

Ten per cent. of potato flour in bread is desirable. The mixture does not cause any defect in the loaf.

Next in importance comes oatmeal. A magnificent article of food. More nourishing than white bread. And in the form of porridge, taken with milk, containing more food value than bacon and eggs, and just as palatable.

We produce half the oat products we eat. But there is no reason why we should not expand the acreage under oats to the point where we grow at home all that we consume. The acres are there. They await the plough. And oats are a very easy crop to grow. Almost any type of land will give a good yield.

It would not be a difficult task to grow all of our oats. In fact, it can be accomplished with ease and facility.

FRESH milk. We can increase the consumption, thus reducing the demand for some foreign foodstuffs. For there is enough milk produced in Britain to meet all our requirements.

But manufactured milk in all its forms, including butter, should be a subject for economy. For every ton of manufactured milk, the produce of Britain, which we consume, three tons come in from overseas.

Vegetables, we can eat more. That is a broad principle of consumption. For the great bulk of the vegetables we eat are grown in our own soil. And there is every reason to suppose that we can produce them all.

Nor need we stint our consumption of eggs. It is true that one in three of the eggs we eat is imported. Holland and Denmark are our chief foreign suppliers. But here we can

look for a swift increase in the home production, provided that the feeding-stuffs are available to the farmers.

WHERE then must we economise?

In beef, because we buy half our beef from abroad. And that is a situation that can only be remedied in part and over a long time.

Bacon, too, should be consumed with economy. We produce less than a third of the bacon in production are most desirable, we cannot expect to meet our total requirements.

There is much to be said for devoting ourselves to securing increases in other directions where results will be swifter and more satisfactory.

We should eat less mutton and lamb. For we graze on our own pastures less than half the sheep that we need.

We should use less sugar. We should make a point of securing this economy. Our home-grown sugar amounts to a third of the sugar we eat. And we eat too much of it. A reduction in the national consumption could be effected with benefit to the health of the community.

Now it has been shown (1) that increased production will go a very long way to fulfil our needs; (2) that economy in consumption, with more reliance upon foods that we can grow at home, will also give us great benefits.

AND how will these benefits be bestowed upon us?

We may expect to save half the money that we send abroad to pay for purchases of food. Half the food is not an over-estimate of what can be done. If the arable acreage is increased from 12,000,000 acres by an additional 4,000,000 with the increase in livestock that would accompany that expansion in tillage, we would be going a long way towards the objective.

By reducing our import of food we may look for a big saving in foreign exchange.

There is perhaps no other direction in which we can achieve a comparable economy in our reserve of foreign exchange.

In the last year of peace we spent £361,000,000 in importing foodstuffs. The saving of half of that immense sum would strengthen our financial position immensely. It would release a huge sum of money for the purchase of the implements and the raw material essential for war.

If need arose, we could buy a fleet of thousands of American airplanes out of the money we save by devoting ourselves to our own home food programme. We could do it without throwing on to the market one additional bar of gold in British ownership.

We would also relieve the pressure upon shipping tonnage. The fewer the ships that we must employ to bring us food, the greater the number of ships that we can use to bring munitions and arms to Britain.

Twenty-three million tons of shipping are engaged in the course of a year in transporting foodstuffs across the seas for the supply of the British population with adequate produce.

If we grow half the food at home, half that tonnage can be dispensed with. Nearly twelve million tons of shipping accommodation can be put at the disposal of the Shipping Minister.

It is a startling economy. It is equal to the carrying capacity of the entire merchant fleet of Norway, making three round trips in a year from Australia, Canada, and the River Plate.

It is as though the entire mercantile marine of the United States of America was at our disposal for one voyage, with all the produce that these ships could carry.

What a gift! What a benefaction! What a splendid help in time of trouble!

And, by reducing the wartime pressure upon shipping, we would do something to prevent an undue rise in freight charges.

The money paid to a shipowner for carrying a cargo of grain to a British harbour actually amounts to more than twice as much as the charge before war broke out.

This immense increase in freight rates is one of the most important factors in promoting a rise in food prices.

So by this increase in production that we project, and by this economy in consumption, coupled with a diversion to home-grown foods, we help to protect ourselves against further rise in the cost of living.

AND there is one more contribution that can be offered by almost every member of the public. It is the contribution he can make in the guise of a producer in a small way.

For garden patches ever so tiny can be cultivated. A few potatoes here, a bed of carrots there, some beetroot where the land is well fertilised.

The consumer then has the satisfaction of feasting on his own produce, the pleasure of taking some part and share in the equipment of a nation bent on the preservation of society.

There is no other such satisfaction in the human race as that derived from a well-cultivated garden.

I have referred to the contributions from (1) the producer; (2) the consumer; and (3) the gardener. Now then, the Government.

The Government must not take agricultural labourers from the soil. Well I remember October 1917, when an immense effort was made to find skilled ploughmen in the Army. A great comb-out took place on a demand from the Board of Agriculture for 10,000 skilled ploughmen.

Within a month there was an insistent plea to the War Cabinet for more ploughmen and more labourers. For a most unfortunate situation had arisen. The farmers had been stimulated to increase production. Now they were left without the supplies of labour, and their efforts were frustrated on that account.

This time let us avoid that mistake. Let us escape that error.

EVERY available man must be turned to agricultural pursuits. Labourers must be called back not only from the Army, but also from city occupations. Wherever an experienced farm hand can be found he should be persuaded to return at once to the cultivation of the soil.

It will be said that economic conditions in the country districts stand in the way. Nothing of the sort. Tell the farm labourers of Britain who have strayed from the soil that the defence of their country urgently necessitates their return to the land, and they will respond with good will, and they will respond with good will.

But do not ask the patriot to pay a price. Let him know that his labour will be well rewarded. That his social condition will be well provided for. And that the welfare of his family will never be neglected again.

The Government should also provide means for training women for the land. And the efforts that have so far been made to attract the attention of women to the land have failed.

Yet it must be within the resources of a good man, with powers from the Government, to establish proper training centres for women which will attract them. It should be possible to turn out such competent women workers that the farmers will be eager to employ them.

They would be especially suitable to look after pigs and poultry. And the male labour which they would replace can be directed quite easily to other agricultural pursuits.

IN this island fortress, in this home of a stern race that has scattered its farming population so prodigally to all parts of the Empire, we can rely upon the character and fortitude of our people. They will endure. They will conquer shortage. They will face hardship, if hardship comes.

And to the sons of the sons of the Scottish farmers who have returned again over the seas to fight for the freedom of the soil of their forefathers, we can give an example of high endeavour and splendid purpose.

World Press On Premier & White Paper

Sympathies Remain With Allies

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The "Dagens Nyheter" refers to Mr. Chamberlain's speech as dispelling all previous doubt of the effectiveness of the democracies against the totalitarian states. It stresses the strength of M. Reynaud's government, and the determined co-operation of the French and British Governments to take the initiative.

The "Social Democrat" connects the publication of the White Paper with the German fears that Allied superiority in the air may come at the end of the year. The Germans may attempt an air offensive now, but such an attack on England and France may very well lead to the complete switch-over of American opinion since it is well-known that the bombing of civilian towns is the American people's nightmare.

Likely American Reactions

The paper further argues that even if these documents should influence the result of the presidential election to the disadvantage of President Roosevelt, they are not likely to alter the line of American foreign policy. "As regards the United States attitude in South America and the Pacific Ocean, American interest for the existence of the British Empire is so strong that a serious threat to this would cause a violent reaction among the American people regardless of who should be in the position of President. It is therefore not so certain that a defeat of Roosevelt and the Democrats would in any way change American foreign policy, but it will be interesting to see if the Nazis have judged the situation rightly, for Germany has now herself seen to it that the presidential election shall take place under the watch-word: 'For or Against the Third Reich, For or Against the Western Democracies.'"

"The Hitler clique have certainly reason to await the reply from the American people with profound anxiety and great nervousness. For what the present American attitude is, the success of the Allies, America's entry into the war would conclusively mean the defeat of the Third Reich."

New York Comment

The "New York Times" says that the German White Paper is an invitation to the German people to ponder on the grim fact that among their enemies in war is the richest and most powerful country in the world.

Regarding the French Yellow Book the paper says: "Whoever reads these documents will understand the firm resolve of the Allied peoples that one man's will and one man's obsession shall no longer play havoc with the lives and fortunes of mankind."

The editorial shows a favourable reaction to the Hitler statement on the Nanking regime and says: "The British Government now stands with America in refusing to recognise Wang. Any other decision is inconceivable when the British are fighting to end aggression in Europe. The Ambassador's speech, now seen in proper perspective, was probably intended to soften the blow of British non-recognition of Nanking. It was also a rather wistful confession that Britain would like to be friendly with Japan."

"The Goteborgs Posten" says: "The German White Book smelt of Goebbels' long-way-off aims to make Europe into a man pushing German into war. Even if the Germans had the best reason to be suspicious of the U.S.A. it scarcely seems necessary directly to challenge the Americans. One remembers that in the last war the Germans were deaf and blind to all warnings, and continued until the Lusitania filled the cup. German propaganda is more intensive now but not cleverer than then. It is anticipated that the American authorities are preparing to account for German propaganda in the U.S.A. which will not be a pleasant lesson to the Germans."

Nazis Fool Germans

The "Goteborgs Handels Tidning" states: "The blockade is already deeply felt in Germany and it is hopeless to expect the German people to support the blockade. The Russo-German treaty benefits Germany nothing. Politically the friendship of Moscow is messed up in Berlin. Swedish iron ore is absolutely indispensable to the German war machine. Metal collecting is an enormous business at present in Germany. It is deplorable that we should deliver raw materials to a war industry fighting the democracies upon whose victory our existence depends. England controls the oceans and our sea traffic is dependent on her consent. We have every reason to be grateful for the way she exercises her power."

The general conclusion of the Norwegian Press is best expressed by "Tidensstern" which says: "The Western Powers begin slowly to feel themselves so strong that they think the time has come for a more active conduct of the war. It is often forgotten that the two parties did not begin the war on an equal footing. Germany had planned her war economy for six or seven years while the others only seriously began to put themselves on a war footing one year before the war came. Moreover, it takes longer for a democracy than a totalitarian power to mobilise all its resources for a definite goal."

CHURCHILL APPOINTMENT PRELUDE TO BIG DRIVE

FROM PAGE ONE

We had successfully beaten off all attempts to starve us out by attacking on shipping from raiders or aircraft, or from secret weapons or any other old thing the Nazis could think of.

Germany had been preparing for a war for years and one would have thought that she would have used her initial superiority to try and overwhelm the Allies.

It was not very extraordinary that no such attempt had been made. Whatever may have been the reason, Hitler may have thought he could get away with what he had got without fighting for it or possibly it was that his preparations were not sufficiently complete.

Seven months had enabled us to get ready to consolidate and tune up every arm of defence, and to add to our fighting strength so that we could face the future with a calm and steady mind.

Seven months, he said, had been of little use to Hitler because it found him with no longer a margin of strength to carry on.

Even now the Nazis were enslaving Poland, Czechoslovakia and dragging the people from their homes to work like slaves in Germany.

Our trouble, he said, was opposite. We were not yet making full use of our manpower. This was being dealt with rapidly.

No Food Shortage

Turning to certain aspects of German propaganda, he said there were German reports that we were short of food. As everyone knew we have no shortage.

Then there was the growth of sentiment by the neutral countries which compared our methods of warfare with those used by the Germans.

We may have committed technical breaches of their neutrality sometimes by accident and sometimes not by accident. But there was all the world of difference between what we had done and those terrible callous and wicked proceedings on the part of Germany who had sunk neutral ships without warning and left their crews exposed to the perils of the sea.

He mentioned the fact that Germany had not got a real friend in the world although there may be many who were still dominated by fear of her military power.

It could not be expected, however, that we should allow Germany to profit by our scrupulousness.

Whatever the neutrals might say the public knew that our victory spells freedom for them and our defeat condemns them to slavery.

"You can take it from me," he went on, "that one by one the leaks and loopholes are being stopped."

Sapping Enemy's Life Blood

The war will go on and the strangling effect will more and more draw the life blood from the enemy.

He referred to the close collaboration between Britain and the Dominions and the complete accord with our great and gallant ally France.

The recent declarations, he said, had given proof of the determination of Britain and France not only to win the war but to make peace together.

After the peace had been made they would still act together for the reconstruction of Europe.

Hitler "Missed The Bus"

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—At a Conservative Conference here, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said that when they embarked on the war in September he felt that they were bound to win.

"Now after seven months of war," he said, "I feel ten times as confident as at the beginning."

"When war broke out, he continued, German preparations were far ahead of our own and it was natural to expect the enemy to take advantage of his initial superiority to try to overwhelm us before we made up our deficiencies. But one thing was certain," he said, Hitler had "missed the bus."

The very completeness of his preparations had left him very little margin of strength still to carry on. There has been a growth in neutral sentiment favourable to Britain.

Stopping Up Loopholes

Loopholes in the blockade, he said, were being stopped and the strangling effect of the blockade would more and more drain the life blood of the enemy.

"Our will to conquer must enable us to either withstand an intensified warfare with whatever checks and disappointments which may come to offset our triumphs or equally stand up against a protracted and wearisome war in which for many months together it might seem impossible for either side to win a decisive advantage," he continued.

"Whoever alternative may come I put my faith in the traditional courage and tenacity of our race," he concluded.

Wants End Of Party Strife

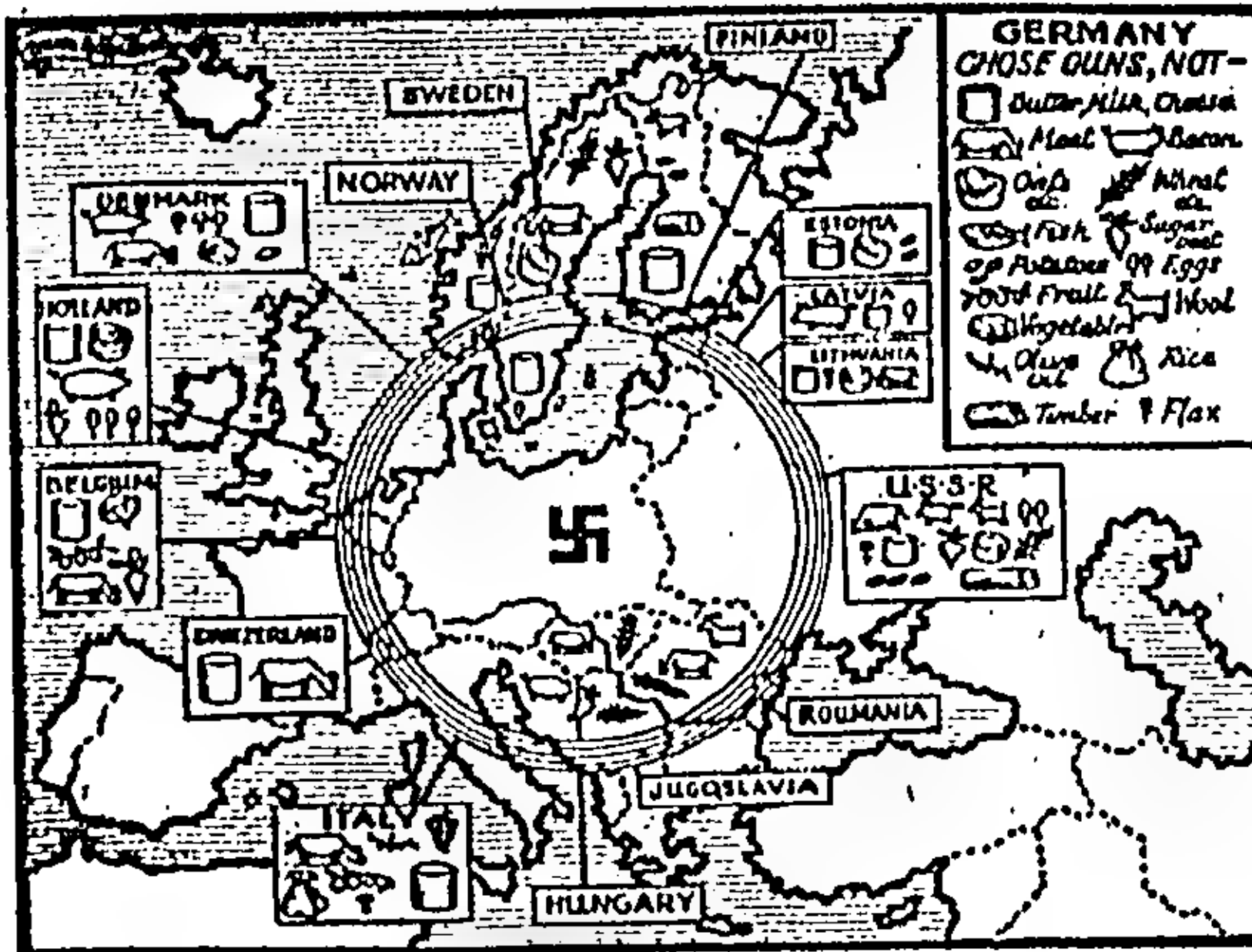
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—An interesting discussion arose at the annual meeting of the Central Council of the National Union of Conservative Associations to-day at which a resolution calling for national unity was put forward by the executive committee.

The resolution called for the support of all parties and said that while criticism in a democracy could be offered freely, it should not be designed to undermine the authority of the Government which is responsible for the conduct of the war.

During his speech, Mr. Chamberlain earlier had said that he would welcome the cessation of party strife for the time being.

"I do not, of course, claim that the Government should be exempt from criticism," he went on.

During the discussion, the Conservative member for Hull, Mr. Law, said that the resolution confused the uniformity of the parties with uniformity of judgment. They had this.



This picture-map explodes the fiction that the Allied blockade is starving German women and children. All round Germany are countries which produce large quantities of foodstuffs which Germany could import. But the Nazi leaders have chosen (in the words of Goering) "guns before butter." By expending Germany's resources on war and the weapons of war, they—and not we—have put their people on short commons.

NAZI SCREAM AT CHURCHILL'S WIDER POWERS

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It does not feel it is enough by suggesting that it is a part-time job.

Lord Woolton Welcomed

In connection with the appointment of Lord Woolton as Minister of Food, the "Daily Telegraph" says that this appointment has been approved by the business world and forecasts that he will deal with the distribution as a past master.

This is a reference to his position as head of a big chain of provincial stores.

The "Manchester Guardian" says that this appointment is one that can be wholeheartedly welcomed.

Still greater strength will be needed on the economic front before long, says the papers.

The appointment of Sir Samuel Hoare as Air Minister, taking over from Sir Kingsley Wood, has been generally welcomed. There is a general agreement that Sir Kingsley had worked extremely hard and fatigue had left its mark.

Merely Re-Shuffling

Twice in its leading article the "Times" says that other changes were merely reshuffling.

The "Times" incidentally provides criticism by returning to the charge it made last September that the War Cabinet was too large to be successful.

The paper wants a smaller department to co-ordinate in war energies and hopes that the co-ordination of defence in all branches will now pass into the hands of Mr. Churchill.

The only complete disapproval of the reshuffling is voiced by the "Daily Herald" which taxes Mr. Chamberlain with gross failure. He understands neither the needs of the country nor the interests of the hour, the paper says.

On the other hand Lord Beaverbrook's "Daily Express" is satisfied with all the changes. They are all good, but there are not enough of them, says this paper.

Parliamentary Comment

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Some Parliamentary comments on the Cabinet changes regret that something more has not been done to strike a note of new drive, while others are prepared to give the changes an opportunity to justify themselves.

The changes generally have not caused any stir. Greater interest is displayed in the forthcoming secret session as affording an opportunity of free expression in favour of a more vigorous policy.

Italy Impressed

ROME, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The quiet manner in which the changes in the British Cabinet had taken place has much impressed Italian political circles.

The newspaper, "Avvenire," says that it had been done without polemics and Parliamentary affray.

Generally a more vigorous aggressiveness is expected in the conduct of the war, but all political observers declare themselves unable to see how the British naval control can be made more stringent if Mr. Chamberlain's recent reiteration of respect for neutral waters is to remain effective.

Screams Of Rage

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Foreign comment on the Cabinet changes ranges from the scream of rage in Germany to quiet satisfaction in France.

In America the changes are seen (vide the "New York Times") as an indication that Britain means business.

In some countries it is the picturesque figure of Mr. Winston Churchill which calls for most comment, but in Scandinavia and Italy his appointment to a higher post in the conduct of the war while keeping his Admiralty post is seen as fore-shadowing further blockade measures.

sort of political truce in Germany but not here. That was one of the reasons why we were at war.

Mr. Vyvian Adams proposed an amendment stating that they hoped that every party should not try to exploit party feeling. "I don't care what British Government conducts the war," he said, "providing it brings about the defeat of Germany and the end of Nazi tyranny."

The amendment was widely supported and the original resolution was dropped.

ARMED 'MERCHANT- MAN' OF AIR BEATS NAZI PIRATES IN DUEL

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about three minutes of intensive firing the two Germans climbed and circled above to watch four others attack the Sunderland from the rear.

The British gunner in the tail held his fire until the Germans were within 100 yards.

Two Nazis Downed

The leading German plane swerved and plunged into the sea in flames. A moment later the other straggled down to a forced landing in Norway.

The Junkers circling overhead then entered the battle but were forced to withdraw.

One Down In Flames

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—A single Sunderland type flying boat routed six German aircraft attacking a convoy in the North Sea yesterday, "Reuter" learns.

It shot down one of the German planes in flames and so damaged another that it was forced to land in Norway.

It was the first time that a British flying-boat had been in combat, and its opponents were the Junker 88 type, which are among the latest, fastest and most manoeuvrable German type.

The battle was one of the most spectacular which had ever occurred over the North Sea. The Sunderland Star Ferry, the first, and a second found a German aircraft which made off when attacked.

An hour later, four Junkers tried to bomb a convoy, but made off after anti-aircraft fire had broken up their formation.

Junkers Routed

Inside the Sunderland there was a continuous roar of sound as the tail gunner revolved his huge turret, swivelling the four guns beam to beam, while amidships the gunners swung the guns to keep the enemies in their sights.

A few minutes afterwards two Junkers retreated while the other four came in swiftly. The Sunderland's tail gunner held his fire until the Junkers were 100 yards away. He then opened all four guns.

The leading Junker spun down to the sea in flames and another swerved away after receiving a cascade of bullets in one engine.

It was this plane which landed in Norway.

The remaining Junkers got the full sting of the Sunderland's tail as they finally departed.

Controls Shot Away

The Sunderland landed safely at its base with its controls shot away. The Captain had an eye-lid cut by chips of metal and the second pilot suffered a slight ear injury.

Planes Attack Trawlers

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is learned that two German war planes attacked trawlers on the north-east of the Shetlands to-day.

They dropped seven bombs all of which missed their marks. When a bomb fell close to one trawler about 3.05 p.m.

A British fighter arrived and made for one of the German machines which, however, dashed away.

RAN IN FRONT OF CAR

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A twelve-year-old Chinese boy who ran suddenly in front of a car driven by Mrs. G. A. Blimford, of West Terrace, Kowloon Docks, was admitted to Kowloon Hospital yesterday, suffering from facial injuries.

The car was proceeding through the entrance to the dockyards into Gillis Avenue when the child, Kwok Ching-pak, ran into it.

His injuries are not serious.

Scheme To Sell W. African Cocoa

FROM PAGE ONE

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The Colonial Office has announced that the British and French Governments have adopted a joint selling policy for West African cocoa in foreign markets.

The agreement is regarded as one of the first results of Mr. Malcolm MacDonald's talks with M. Georges Mandat, the French Minister of State for the Colonies.

Hitler Drops A Grandiose Scheme

Old Age Pensions Plan To Be Held Up

BERLIN, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Hitler's grandiose old age pensions scheme which was announced with a great flourish of trumpets in the press last February is not to be introduced until after the war, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Neue Zuercher Zeitung".

This means that the plan to use the new pension contributions, which were to have been levied on all insured persons over the age of sixteen, for State financing, has been abandoned owing to public reaction.

The correspondent adds that the idea of instituting forced savings also appears to have been abandoned.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$ 1,400 n.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) \$ 294 1/2 n.
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Chartered \$ 294 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. \$ 31 n.
Mercantile, C. \$ 12 1/2 n.
East Asia \$ 73 b.

INSURANCES
Canton \$ 230 n.
Union \$ 500 n.
China Underwriters \$ 85 cts. n.
H.K. Fire \$ x. d. 174 s.

SHIPPING
Douglases \$ 150 n.
Steamboats \$ 10 1/2 n.
Indo-China P. \$ 100 n.
Indo-China D. \$ 10 n.
Shell (Beacons) \$ 70 2/3 n.
Waterboats \$ 7 1/2 n.

DUCKS ETC.
Wharves \$ 100 n.
Docks \$ (c. rts.) 22 s.
Docks \$ (x. rts.) 10 1/4 n.
Docks \$ (rts.) 6 1/4 n.
Providents \$ 4 1/2 n.
Sh. Docks Sh. \$ 38 1/4 n.

MINING
Kailan \$ 10 1/2 n.
Rauba \$ 0.05 n.
Venz. Gold \$ 4 n.
H.K. Mines \$ 4 cts. n.

LANDS
Hotels \$ 5.10 b.
Lands \$ 37 1/2 n.
Lands 4% Debentures \$ 100 n.
Sh. Lands Sh. \$ 14 n.
Humphreys \$ 8 n.
H.K. Realties \$ 4.40 b.
Chinese Estates \$ 103 n.

UTILITIES
Trams \$ 17 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (old) \$ 10 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$ 10 n.
Star Ferry \$ 0.08 n.
Y. Ferries \$ 26 n.
China Lights (old) \$ 8 n.
China Lights (new) \$ 5.20 n.
H.K. Electric \$ 65 1/2 n.
Macao Electric \$ 24 n.
Sandakan Lights \$ 11 1/4 n.
Telephones (old) \$ 29 1/2 n.
Telephones (new) \$ 12 1/2 n.
Tractions \$ 20 1/2 n.
Tractions (Pref.) \$ 23 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIALS
Cald. Macg. (Ord.) \$ 14.00 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) \$ 12 n.
Canton Ice \$ 1 n.
Cements \$ 17 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes \$ 5.40 b.

STORES, &c.
Dairy Farms \$ 26 1/4 b.
Watsons \$ 9.15 b.
Lane, Crawford \$ 7 1/2 n.
Sinceres \$ 2 b.
Wing On (H.K.) \$ 44 b.
Powell, Ltd. \$ 1 b.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. \$ 45 1/4 n.
Shai Gon Sh. \$ 100 n.
Zhong Sing Sh. \$ 65 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$ 100 b.

MISC.
H.K. Entertainments \$ 6.80 b.
Constructions (old) \$ 13 1/4 n.
Constructions (new) \$ 11 n.
Vibro Piling \$ 8 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 \$ 52 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan \$ 102 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan \$ 90 1/2 n.
Marsmans (Lon.) \$ 14 1/2 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) \$ 4 1/2 n.

ROBBERIES BY ENGLISH YOUTH

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currency, property of Mrs. R. F. Armbrette.

Admits Charges
Broomfield admitted both charges. "In both cases, Broomfield calmly walked into the room and cabin and appropriated the property," said Det. Sergt. Nolan, who prosecuted.

"I was seen, and his description in both cases was given to the police," Det. Sergt. Nolan told the Court that he subsequently met defendant in Middle Road and took him to the C.I.D. for questioning. Defendant admitted both offences.

As a result of further enquiries, it was discovered that defendant had previously been arrested in Hongkong by ship's officers aboard two British liners, but in each case had been permitted to go. Defendant admits that he was convicted once in England for petty larceny.

Peerage For Maj. G. C. Tryon

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LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—A peerage has been conferred on Major G. C. Tryon, who was yesterday appointed to be Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

Lord Woolton, Minister of Food, has been appointed Privy Councillor.

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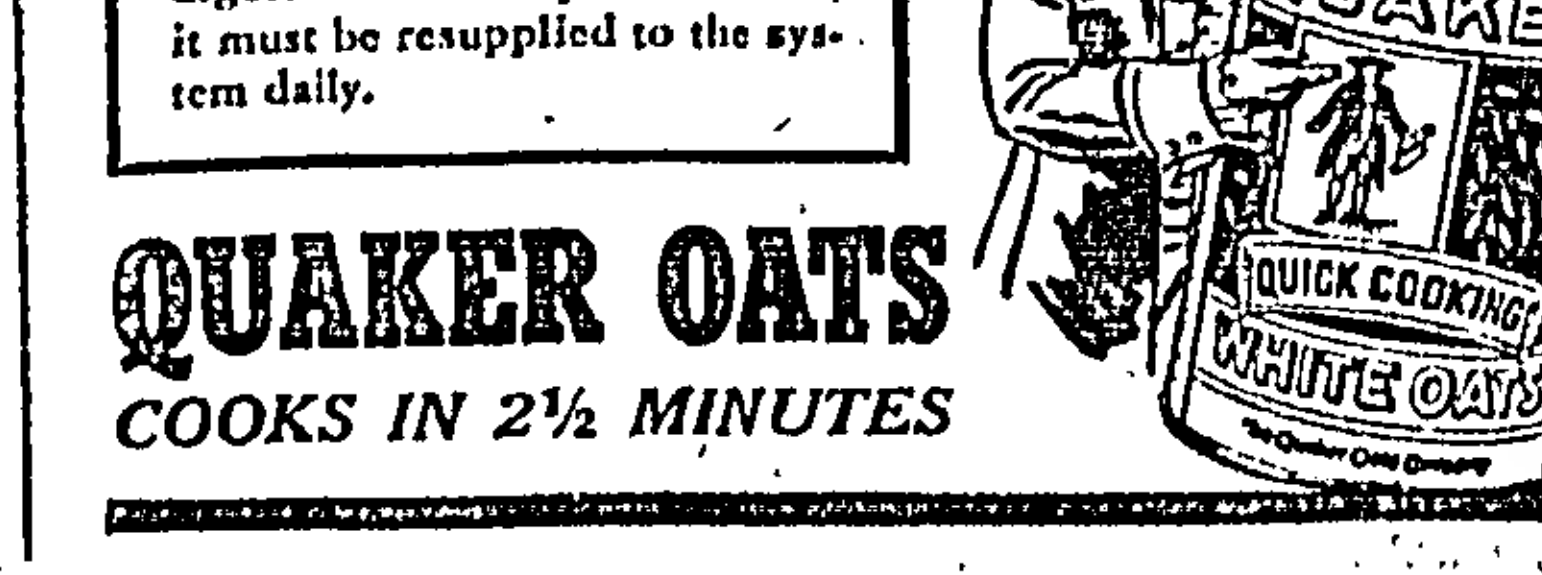
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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

THIRD EXTRA MEETING TO-MORROW

FIRST LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

THE KONGMUN HANDICAP for China ponies, the fifth race griffin of this season that have won less than \$1,000 in stakes, has been well responded to with 26 nominations. I have seen much bigger entries before, only to be disappointed in the end with non-acceptances. Incidentally the first leg of the daily double is on this event, and in my estimation the winner is to be found among Distinctive Time, For All Time, Gay Star, Johnner, Oonagh, Ronson and Victoria. My best three are For All Time, Oonagh and Victoria.

GOOD MILERS IN HOBART HANDICAP

THE HOBART HANDICAP for "B" class Australian ponies, the fourth race, should be an interesting event, there being no less than 21 entries. There are a few good milers, and it is not easy to pick the best.

When they met in the Calliope Handicap on Easter Monday, the winner (Murrumbidgee) was in receipt of 15 lbs. from the second pony, Sydney Lad, whereas to-morrow the latter has to concede only 5 lbs. for a defeat of two lengths.

Although it works out in favour of Sydney Lad, I prefer Murrumbidgee. Bruno created a great impression when he won the Cabramatta Handicap for "C" class ponies over six furlongs, but Mr. Trevorton's brown gelding has been promoted to a higher standard and he will be up against a much stronger opposition. He may spring a surprise, for Bruno is well keyed for the event.

ST. KILDA HANDICAP Tarzan Should Have Easy Passage

WITH Springhurst and Australian Prince out of the road, Tarzan should have an easy passage in the St. Kilda Handicap for "D" class Australian ponies, the sixth race, but I would like to know whether the brown gelding can last another extra two furlongs over his last outing. Heinz looks good on the handicap, and I think he is dangerous.

Portrush For The Closing Event

MY CHOICE for the closing event, the Canton Handicap (second section) for "D" class China ponies, is Portrush, Piet Hein and Gold Coin, and I expect that they will cross the bar in the order I have named.

TWO MILES' RACE FOR AUSTRALIANS

Good Response To Revival Of Endurance Contest

NINE HANDICAP EVENTS for Australian and China ponies comprise the programme of the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held to-morrow at Happy Valley, the main contest being the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies of any season over two miles.

Last longest distance run was in 1929, when Coos Bay (Mr. Hill) won the Fochow Cup, beating Town Hall (Mr. Encarnacao) by five lengths, and the time was 4.35.2/5 for two miles. In the following year the Fochow Cup for China ponies was shortened to one and a half miles, but last February the event was further reduced to one and a quarter miles.

However, very good response has been received for the revival of the endurance and stamina test over two miles, and the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies has attracted no less than 14 entries.

The Brisbane Spring Handicap was first run over the champion course of 1 1/4 miles on May 19, 1934, when Able Amazon with Mr. Butler up was the first winner. Last year up was the first winner. Last year up was the first winner. Last year up was the first winner.

To-morrow's racing should be an entirely different affair, for it opens with a novice event, the Canton Handicap (first section) for "D" class China ponies, and the meeting will close with the second section of the same contest to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere. The run is over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, and there are a few racers with equal chances. Of the lot, Chatterbox has been running quite well in his last two outings, and as a result the chestnut gelding has been highly rated. This time and Willynilly are good.

BRISBANE SPRING HANDICAP PROSPECTS

IT cannot be said that there is not a good lot of stayers in the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies of any season over two miles.

To start we have Lucky Lad, the winner of 1938 Fremantle St. Leger, but the success of Baffin Bay in the same classic at the fall has not been forgotten by the men of the turf because the pony paid \$410.30 for a win.

Next comes Tornado Star, who captured the Rooty-Hill Derby in 1938, and is followed by Triumphant Day with the lowest impost. On the top of the tree is Far View, whose recent display does not require any introduction.

Sapper, who went down to Far View by three-quarters of a length in the Rooty-Hill Derby about six weeks ago, is now another animal. I understand that Mr. Needa will be riding Lucky Lad while Mr. Heavne will be up on Baffin Bay. The former has no doubt won some good races, but Lucky Lad is getting no younger and he may lack stamina against the new generation. Baffin Bay likes long outing, but he was not at home at the Easter on a going which threw up mud and water.

SECOND LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

THE SECOND LEG of the daily double is on the Fatshan Handicap (second section) for "C" class China ponies, the seventh race and the time is over 1 1/4 miles. Strathbannock has let us down badly at the Easter session, but I think Mr. Macgregor's candidate will make up to-morrow to be followed by Advancing Time and Celtic Star.

Fatshan H'cap Over Champion Course

THE FATSHAN HANDICAP (first section) for "C" class China ponies, the third race, is over the champion course, but I am afraid that there are a few ponies which will not be able to last the distance.

Musketier, Oak Bay, Rose Evelyn and Rose Piana have rejoined their old section, and none of them is yet due for a win. I fancy Just In Time with Booda Bay and Tampa Bay to follow in the rear.

Sprinters To Watch In Broken Hill Handicaps

I AM SURE that students of form will not hesitate to back Flying Dutchman, Many Thanks and Springburst in the eighth race, the Broken Hill Handicap over six furlongs, but be careful with Fair Chance, Franklin and Princess Clara, all of whom are speedy merchants.

WEATHER PROBLEM

TO-DAY'S forenoon forecast by the Royal Observatory has not been very promising, and nobody can predict what the Weather Clerk will favour. On a going similar to that we had on the first day of the Easter session, Sapper will give another win to Mrs. A. E. Grasett. He had such a comfortable victory in the Albany Handicap over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, and that the extra "once round" should not trouble Sapper.

Badminton Singles

P.H. WONG TO MEET C. AU IN FINAL K. L. Yong And H. Eardley Beaten At Recreio

(By "Tinker")

UNLIKE the Colony Tennis Tournament this year, the Open Badminton championships have featured excellent matches almost from the first round, and at the Club de Recreio last night, the semi-finals of the singles, P. H. Wong v. K. L. Yong and C. Au v. H. Eardley, in no way lowered the standards previously set. Both matches were decided in straight games, but they were games replete with excitement.

P. H. Wong beat K. L. Yong 17-14, 15-3, and C. Au beat H. Eardley 15-10, 15-11. To most people, the Au-Eardley match may have been the more thrilling, but for brilliantly bewildering tactics and stroke-play I would give the palm to Wong and Yong for their first game.

Au and Eardley took to the court first. Au, mainly on very finely judged angle shots, ran into a 10-1 lead, at which stage Eardley came into prominence with powerful and accurate smashing. He several times manoeuvred Au to the side line, and then took the points with excellently placed smashes to the other corner. Though he collected the points, at the rate of two to Au's one, he had to concede the game at 15-10.

The second game brought forth all the fighting qualities of the Chinese. Eardley led 7-2 and then 9-3, when Au began using drop shots from the baseline with amazing accuracy. He crept up to 9-10, and eventually led 11-10. Those short drop shots caught Eardley almost every time. He only managed to collect one more point before losing the game.

BEST OF EVENING

THE BEST GAME of the evening, however, was the opening one between Yong and Wong. Both used every shot in their repertoire, and the extraordinary speed with which they moved about the court made one quite dizzy. Yong's great failing was his delayed pick-up off the baseline. On no less than ten occasions he tried this shot. On eight the shuttle ended in the net; on one it just managed to clear the net, and the other an easy smash was presented to Wong. It is a shot that requires the utmost delicacy of touch to just clear the net; and the "bird" back to baseline.

Rallies were long and brought forth much applause from the crowded hall. From 4-11, Yong led 9-0.

Colony Tennis

RUMJAHN COUSINS ENTER DOUBLES SEMI-FINAL

IN STRAIGHT SETS, the Rumjahn cousins, H.D. and S.A., entered the semi-finals of the Hongkong Open doubles tennis tournament at the Hongkong Cricket Club, beating Pang Ol-lam and Leung Phing-chiu by 6-4, 6-4.

Though the result was a foregone conclusion, the Chinese put up a good struggle which made the game interesting. They lost out in accuracy, but held their own in several of the sustained rallies that marked the game. H.D. was particularly deadly with his volleying.

The Rumpahns led 5-1 in the opening set, but stayed there while their opponents collected three more games before losing at 6-4.

In the second set, Pang and Leung lost when they conceded the seventh and eighth games to give the cousins a 5-3 lead. Up till then play had been very even.

SECOND DOUBLES

In the second doubles match, T. A. Pearce and B. C. Fay beat Marshall Ma and T. C. Chan 6-4, 3-0, 6-4.

THE GRAND NATIONAL

MacMoffat May Bring \$480,000 To Local Ticket Syndicate

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO, the first Grand National was run at Aintree. The winner's name was Lottery—an apt name for the winner of the biggest lottery in racing. The hazards of that lottery include thirty fences, and nearly four and a half miles of country. Anything may happen, though the highest fence is only 5 foot 2 inches high, and death may attend either horse or rider.

This Grand National, however, is of interest to the Colony in that two tickets in the Irish Sweepstake were drawn for people here. The "Brewery" Syndicate, c/o H. Ruttonjee and Co., have drawn MacMoffat, third favourite, and have every chance of winning \$480,000, first prize.

Out of the original 59 entered, only 29 have accepted. Workman, last year's winner, has been withdrawn, as has Royal Mail. Both horses suffered from strain. This great race, however, has only been won twice by six horses. These were Peter Simple in 1849 and 1853, Abd-el-Kader 1850 and 1851, The Lamb 1868 and 1871, The Colonel 1869 and 1870, Mani-festo 1897 and 1899 and Reynoldstown 1935 and 1936.

Of these famous six, it will be seen that the race has only been won twice in succession by three. It costs £100 to send a horse to the post in the Grand National, which is made up from £10 on entering, a first forfeit of £50 due on after the allotment of weights, and a final forfeit of £40.

Conditions and rules for the race have been altered this year, partly on account of the war, but since it will be run over the usual course and distance, it goes down in the records as a proper National and not a substitute, as was run in 1916-17 and 1918.

OPEN TO ALL

THE race is now virtually open to all-comers. Horses eligible to

Week-end Cricket Teams

The following will represent Hongkong Cricket Club against Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday at Cox's Road—T. A. Pearce, C. G. Aikenhead, D. I. Bosanquet, D. G. Day, B. C. Fay, Surg. Comdr. Finlay, M. L. F. Haynes, H. Owen-Hughes, A. K. Mackenzie, J. L. C. Pearce and A. N. Other.

CRAIGENGOWER ELEVEN

The following will represent Craigengower against Civil Service Cricket Club in a First Division League cricket match on Saturday at the Valley—A. Y. H. Farnall (Capt.), P. J. Billmoria, A. B. Hamson, A. J. Hulse, A. K. Lam, G. W. Lee, J. L. C. Pearce, W. Young, Sling, G. Souza and J. L. Young Saye.

CIVIL SERVICE TEAM

The following will represent the Civil Service Cricket Club in League cricket this Saturday:—2nd XI: V. C. C. (Home)—H. E. Strange (Capt.), G. Ainslie, G. P. Sione, T. L. Lockhart, A. Watson, H. G. Robertson, J. MacGowan, J. V. G. Mitchell, A. M. J. Wright, H. F. Harper, and F. E. Lawrence. Reserve: A. F. Sheppard.

Regional Soccer

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The following were the results of matches played in the South "D" Division of the English Regional football league:

SOUTH "D"

Norwich 3 Aldershot 2
Clapton O. 0 Reading 3

Kowloon Football Club Lawn Bowls Rinks

The following will represent Kowloon Football Club in a friendly bowls match against Kowloon Cricket Club at Cox's Road at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday:—G. Frost, J. Dobson, P. Morgan and C. Dowman (skip); H. Thomson, P. Young, W. Simpson and J. C. Brown (skips); J. Gibson, J. Smalley, H. Hall and V. Allen (skips); G. Cross, C. Woodcock, H. Hughes and V. Chittenden (skips). Reserves: C. Fuller and W. Groves.

The Entries And Call-Over

7/2 Kilstar (Archibald).
10/1 The Professor (Owen).
12/1 MacMoffat (Alder).
12/1 Royal Danell (Moore).
100/8 Milano (D. Morgan).
100/7 Symmetris (Geekes).
100/6 Sterling Duke (Hyde).
100/5 Rockquilla (Carey).
20/1 Black Hawk (Rimell).
25/1 Takov Pachia (Prior-Palmer).
25/1 Under Bid (Nicholson).
20/1 Bogskar (M. Jones).
33/1 Inverness (Hoggin).
Dunhill Castle (Wilson). Red Eagle (Elder). Dominick's Cross (Mitchell). Avary (Muir). Venture-some Knight (Tweedie). Lilligant (Black). Le Cygne (O'Grady). Boyo (R. Morgan). National Night (H. Jones). Corn Law (McNeill). Luxborough (Brown). Lazy Boots (Ward). Bachelor Prince (Poenewstein). Downright (Sealey). Tuckmill (Kelly). Golden Arrow (Lay). Sund Act (Dowdell). Red Freeman (Redmond).

R. Scots Win Inter-Unit Tournament

In the presence of many people at Nanking Barracks last night, the Royal Scots beat Middlesex 23 points to 22 to win the Hongkong Army (Army) Inter-Unit Boxing Championships. Good hard hitting fights were seen and the final decision was not reached until the last bout when Sgt. Elliott (R.A.) beat D/Mjr. Holdford in the welterweight class.

There were two knock-outs, both suffered by the Middlesex. In the first bout of the bantamweight section Pte. Bailey (R.S.) landed a punch on the solar plexus of Pte. Hope (Middlesex) who fell down and did not rise again. In the middleweight fight, L/Cpl. Moore (R.S.) knocked out Pte. Roberts (Middlesex) in the first round.

Major-Gen. A. E. Grasett presented the prizes.

Bantam-Weight.—Pte. Bailey (R.S.) knocked out Pte. Hope (Middlesex). Feather-Weight.—Pte. Corigan (R.S.) beat Pte. Noble (Middlesex); Cpl. Brown (R.S.) lost to Cpl. Phillips (Middlesex). Light-Weight.—Pte. Barker (R.S.) lost to L/Cpl. Wilroy (Middlesex); L/Cpl. Wiseman (R.S.) lost to Pte. Gribble (Middlesex); Pte. Cavanagh (R.S.) beat L/Cpl. Williams (Middlesex). Middle-Weight.—Pte. McGready (R.S.) beat Pte. Geist (Middlesex); Pte. Callaghan (R.S.) lost to Pte. Eaton (Middlesex); Cpl. Hittche (R.S.) beat L/Cpl. Wilson (Middlesex); Sgt. Elliot (R.S.) beat D/Mjr. Holdford (Middlesex). Heavy-Weight.—Lt. Col. Emerson (R.S.) lost to Cpl. McGready (Middlesex); L/Cpl. Moore (R.S.) knocked out Pte. Roberts (Middlesex); Cpl. Cooper (R.S.) beat Pte. Brille (Middlesex). Light Heavy-Weight.—Pte. Marshall (R.S.) lost to Cpl. Fox (Middlesex). Heavy-Weight.—Pte. Alexander (R.S.) lost to Pte. Moran (Middlesex).

complete are six-year-olds (of which there is only one) and upwards, who, at the time of entry have been placed first, second or third in a steeplechase of three miles and upwards, or in a steeplechase at Aintree, or have won any steeplechase value £500.

One noteworthy new rule is that "riders must have 'won live' clauses under the recognised rules of 'chasing' in any country to be qualified to ride." It is remarkable that this rule has not been introduced before, for the race is difficult and dangerous enough without the added hazard of inexperienced riders.

Last year, for instance, friends of one rider bet him £100 to £10 that he would not negotiate the first fence—the rider lost.

The eighteen who ran last year, and the order of their finish, are: Workman (1), MacMoffat (2), Kilstar (3), Symmetris (5), Dominick's Cross (6), West Point (7), Royal Mail (9), Bachelor Prince (10), Under Bid (11), Inverness, Milano, Tuckmill, Dunhill Castle, Second Act, Red Freeman, Rockquilla, Royal Danell and Black Hawk.

Workman and Royal Mail were the only two previous winners entered this year, and with their scratching, there are now none.

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THE THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held weather permitting at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 6th April, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

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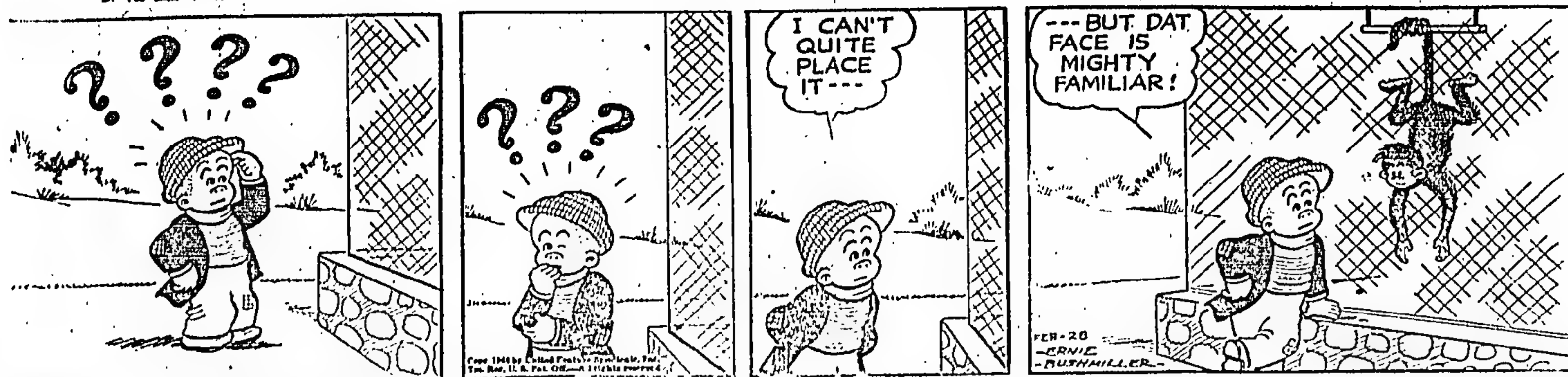
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ANDY HARDY GETS SPRING FEVER

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by BEATRICE FABER

Synopsis: It is Springtime in Carvel and Judge Hardy is all agog, for it appears that he is about to make a fortune from certain acreage that he owns on the outskirts of the city. Two men, Willis and Hansen have informed him that the ground contains eight percent aluminum. Judge Hardy has had a sample of the soil analyzed and the analysis confirms their report. Young Andy Hardy, however, has his mind on other things. He has quarrelled with his girl Polly, over a dashing naval Ensign who is visiting her. But next day, in class, his interest switches to the beautiful new dramatic teacher, Rose Meredith.

Immediately after Court the next day, the Judge had Hansen and Willis ushered in. He had already telephoned them of his report and now, after greeting them, he pounded on the desk and shouted jubilantly, "There's millions in it gentlemen, maybe billions!"

Willis shook his head. "No Judge," And as the Judge started, he went on. "You see, sir, it isn't just a question of the soil. Let me explain. The people who already manufacture the metal aluminum have their own source of supply. They certainly have no intention of making anybody else rich."

The Judge went hollow. All those dreams vanished. "Then why did you bring me this proposition?" Willis sat down. "We want to manufacture aluminum ourselves, put up our own plant. It will run into an investment of about a hundred thousand dollars. Mark and I already have approximately fifty per cent of the money. We want from you is your word that you'll sell us the land at a sensible price."

Slowly, disappointedly, the Judge said, "That sounds fair."

"You see," Hansen explained, "there aren't going to be enormous profits from this—but very nice, very steady ones." At the door he turned. "Thanks for your time, Judge. We'll work out a suitable offer for the property. We want to get busy building the plant."

Judge Hardy nodded unhappily. "Yes, of course." Suddenly, he jumped up. "But wait a minute gentlemen. You said something about—well, that you had fifty per cent of the money. May I ask, what about the other half? Money all subscribed?"

Willis nodded. "Approximately." "Because," the Judge said hurriedly, "to be frank, I've got about three thousand I'd like to invest in something and I thought—"

"We need about seventeen thousand," Hansen admitted. He turned to Willis. "What do you think?" "The Judge has been fair with us."

Judge Hardy thought rapidly. Why, he could even do something for his friends, let them in on the venture along with him. There was George Benedict, MacMahon, Higginsbotham and a couple more. "I know some other men in this town who might be interested."

Willis shook his head. "This thing is too good. We won't solicit anybody."



"Gentlemen," the Judge said, bowing them out. "I feel this is an important day in our lives. The door closed behind them. He strode briskly to his desk, there was a new executive swing in his walk. Suddenly, he peered at the metal ink well on his desk, then picked it up. "Wonder if this is made of aluminum." "If it isn't, it ought to be. Everything ought to be made of aluminum."

Then he sat down and picked up the telephone. There was just enough time before dinner to call his friends and offer them the investment. Let's see. He'd ring

George Benedict first. "Hello George," he said a moment later. Then, rapidly he began to outline a new aluminum project. "Yes, it looks good, old man. Oh, that's all right," he said expansively, "don't thank me like to let my friends in on the ground floor. I'll let you know all the details tomorrow. Yes, I'm going to call MacMahon now."

That evening after dinner, the three Hardy women were assembled in Marian's room. A conference was in progress as Marian tried on one dress after the other. Her new career was to begin the next day and what she would wear was of the utmost importance.

The door was flung open and Andy stuck his head in. He looked almost fanatically serious and the earmarks of creative genius were

all over him. "Say," he began without preamble, "do they have volcanoes on the island of Tahiti?"

Aunt Milly rallied first. "I don't know, but the encyclopedia is down in your father's den."

"Thanks," He disappeared.

"Wonder what he's up to now," Mrs. Hardy said. "School work, I suppose."

The door opened and it was Andy again. "What's a name for a native girl?"

"Native girl?" Marian shrieked. "Say, what is this?"

"What kind of a native girl?" Aunt Milly asked.

Andy's face seemed to blur all over. He was off somewhere in the South Seas. "A very beautiful

one." Then he scowled as both Aunt Milly and Marian began to laugh.

Mrs. Hardy wracked her brains and tried to be of some help to this curious child of hers. "There're some lovely Indian ones."

"Indian ones, my gosh," Andy ejaculated in high scorn. "Isn't there anybody around this house that can help me? What kind of a place is this?"

"Andrew," Mrs. Hardy said, hoping an interested question would placate him, "did you find out from the encyclopedia whether there are any volcanoes in Tahiti?"

"No. I can't go in the den. Miss Meredith's using the telephone."

Mrs. Hardy sat up straight. "What?"

Andy shook his head dazedly. "I mean, Pop's using the telephone. Well," he said, glowering at them all, "I guess I'll have to depend on my own brains for this."

He bounded out and went back to his own room. Sitting down at his typewriter, he plunged into play-writing again. Gradually, the mound of crumpled and discarded sheets mounted higher and higher.

Finally, he rose and began to stride up and down the room. His hair was dishevelled, his tie pulled awry. Every now and then he paused before the full-length mirror and faced himself, to check on how things were going.

The papers in his hand were labelled "Adrift in the South Seas," by Andrew Hardy, Act One. He began to recite the dialogue, using the cold monotone of an announcement over a public address system.

"We never need to worry about supplies, men. Look," he said, acting the Rear Admiral. From the corner of his mouth he muttered the stage directions. "The Admiral laughs and points out to his hero-worshipping crew a banana tree." Then he fell into his Admiral pose. "You see? A banana tree."

He spoke again from the corner of his mouth. "He looks surprised for under the banana tree is a pretty little native girl who is sleeping."

Then, once more, he became the Admiral. "But who is this? Gad, gentlemen, what a pretty girl." More stage directions. "At the sound of the Admiral's voice, the girl wakes up, smiles at him, sits up and stretches. Author's note: I mean, she stretches her arms up but not like an exercise but just natural. The Admiral smiles at her."

He looked in the mirror again and acted. "What's your name, my girl?" But as Andy voiced the line, he stopped dead and began to mumble. "Now what's her name going to be? Tahiti, Tahalee, Taholes, Tahillee-Tahulu, Tahulu!"

He paused, then said again "Tahulu!" It was like beautiful, rippling water. But would the audience like it? He tried it out. "Tahulu," he intoned imperially. Then his voice changed. "Tahulu," he rasped fiercely. Then, loudly, challengingly, he shouted, "Tahulu!"

He nodded with satisfaction. "Tahulu," it would be.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dick Foran, The Rocky Mountaineers and The London Piano-Accordion Band.

2.00 Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado"—Brail the Raven Hair, Beatrice Elburn (Soprano) and Chorus of Girls; The Sun, Whose Rays are all Ablaze, Elsie Griffin (Soprano) with Orchestra; Brightly Dawns our Wedding Day, E. Griffin, D. Hemmingsway, D. Oldham, and G. Baker; Here's a How-De-Do!, Elsie Griffin, Derek Oldham and Henry A. Lytton; Mi-Ya Sa-Ma, Bertha Lewis, D. Fancourt and Chorus; A More Humane Mikado, Darrell Fancourt and Chorus of Men; The Criminals, A. Davies, H. A. Lytton, L. Sheffield and Chorus; See How The Fates, D. Fancourt, B. Lewis, A. Davies, H. A. Lytton, L. Sheffield; The Flowers That Bloom

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0.28 Closing Local Stock Quotations. 0.30 An Hour of Dance Music. 7.30 London Relay—The News. 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.02 Tarantini—Concerto in D Minor—Joseph Szegedi (Violin) with Orchestra.

8.10 Richard Strauss—Till's Merry Pranks, Op. 28—The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Fritz Busch.

8.31 Studio—Recital by Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor) and E. O'Neil Shaw (Piano). 1. (a) Una furtiva lagrima (from "Elixir d'amore" Donizetti), (b) Nel verde maggio (from "Loreley"—Catalani); 2. A Granada (Alvarez), Gaston D'Aquino with Piano accomp.; 3. Quand il Pleut (Poushniel), E. O'Neil Shaw at the Piano; 4. (a) Chi se ne scorda celiu (Bartolomey), (b) Nnapulltananta (Mario Costa); 5. Primavera (Tiridelli), Gaston D'Aquino with Piano accomp.

8.57 D'Indy—Suite for Flute, Violin, Viola, Violoncello and Harp. Op. 91—Quintette Instrumental de Paris.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary. 9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45 Dance Music. 10.00 London Relay—Commentary on The Grand National, 1940, from Alntrre.

10.25 Variety with Todd Duncan, Elisabeth Welch, Max Miller and The Hill Billies—Little Mountain Cabin, Pop-Eyed Pete, The Hill Billies; Confessions of a Cheeky Chappie, Max Miller; River God, Drums, Todd Duncan with The Drury Land Theatre Orchestra; Harlem in My Heart, One Kiss, Elisabeth Welch with Orchestra; The Hilly Billy Band; The Hill Billies—Ophelia, Down in The Valley, Max Miller.

11.00 Close Down.

RECONSTRUCTION OF EUROPE

BRUSSELS, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—An executive of the Labour Socialist International meeting here has appointed a small committee to prepare the groundwork for a programme for the reconstruction of Europe after the war.

The Committee includes Mr. Noel Baker (Britain), M. Leon Blum (France) and M. Huysman (Belgium).

ANKARA, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—General Tinnaz has relinquished his post as Minister of National Defence owing to ill-health. He has been succeeded by M. Sultetarikian, formerly the Minister of Education.

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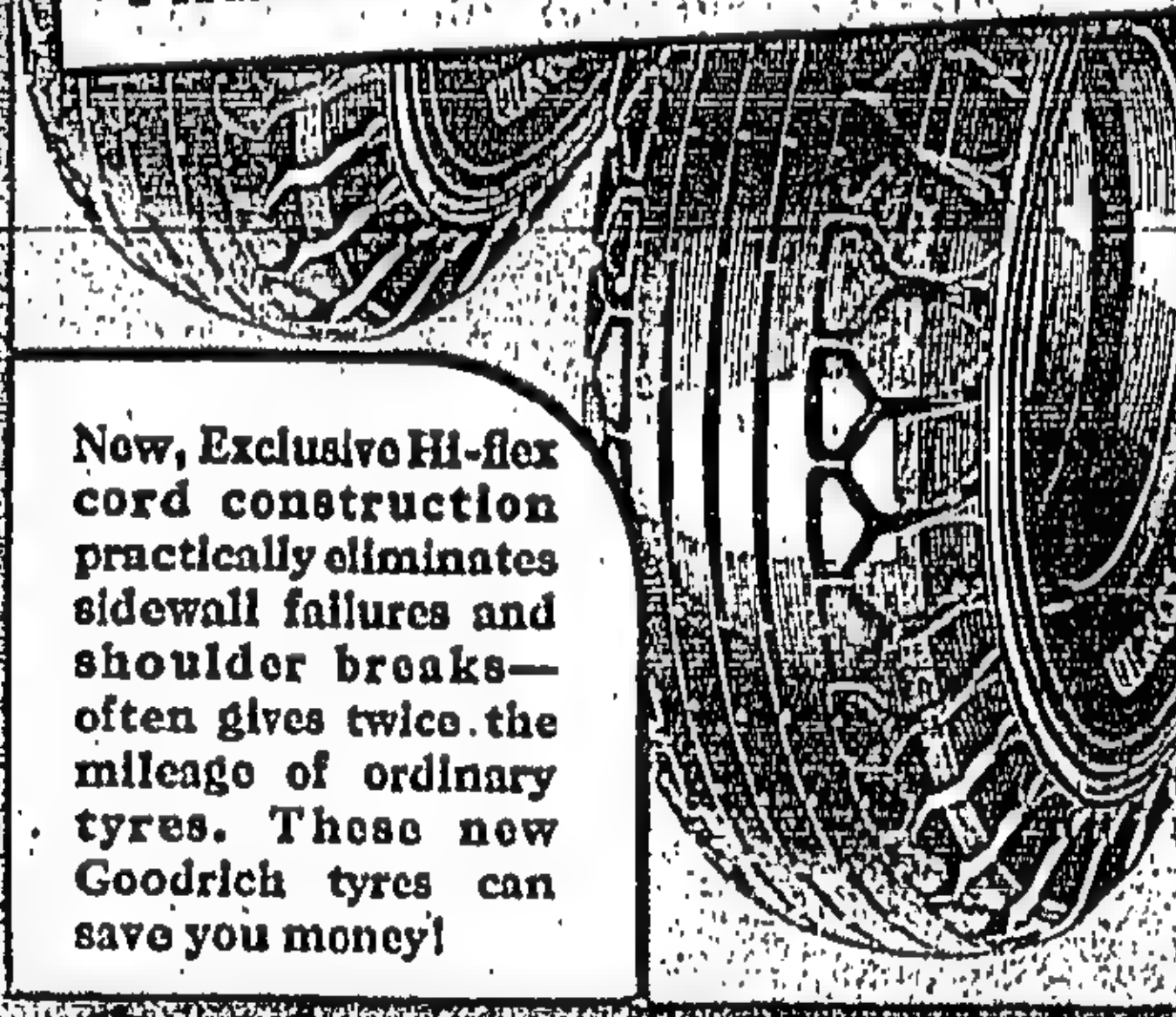
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complete pictorial record of the destruction of Warsaw. "For a day and a half, wave after wave of our Air Force thundered against the armed Polish city," D.N.B.'s review says. "A thousand sleet comb mountains of white cumulous clouds. "Hell rages beneath. "Our machines unloosed, then return to fill their tanks, load new bombs and start out again to shower new destruction. "When the diving bombers screamed down against a railway terminal; when the bombers rained bombs like hailstones on divisions pressed together at Bzura; when the Junkers flew ghost-like through the smoke over burning Warsaw—then we get an inkling from this magnificent film of what war in the air really means."

Errant Nazi Nonsonso
BERLIN, Apr. 5 (Reuter).—Britain and France are trying to revive all the evils of the Versailles Treaty against Germany and are now trying to drag the United States into war through Mr. Sumner Welles, say Berlin circles. "This is the result of the publication of a photograph which shows Mr. Welles, M. Reynaud and the American Charge d'Affaires standing before the map in Mr. Reynaud's Office which has attracted Hitler's attention. "The United States is to be cheated again, as the map proves that the Allied war aim is to dismember Germany," say Berlin circles.

BRITON KILLED NEAR JERICHO

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
JERUSALEM, Apr. 4 (UP).—Mr. H. A. M. Davies, British Inspector of Land in Trans-Jordan, was shot dead on a road near Jericho to-day. It is believed that Mr. Davies committed suicide. "United Press" reports that Berlin Radio, in a broadcast this morning, stated that Mr. Davies had been assassinated by Arabs.

Dam Burst Threat In Yugo-Slavia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BELGRADE, Apr. 4 (UP).—The homes of over 200,000 people are threatened as a result of the collapse of a large dam across the Danube River near the town of Beodan. Flood waters have already submerged the homes of 1,000 people in Novigrad. They are still rising.

Peerage For Maj. G. C. Tryon

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—A peerage has been conferred on Major G. C. Tryon, who was yesterday appointed to the Duchy of Lancaster. Lord Woolton, Minister of Food, has been appointed Privy Councillor.

Eagle Hits Plane, Sets It On Fire

Flying at 6,000 ft., an eagle hit one of the propellers of an Australian air liner on its way to Adelaide, South Australia. The plane caught fire. Manoeuvring to keep the flames from the cabin, Captain N. Croucher brought his machine down in a paddock seven minutes later. Eleven passengers and the crew of three were uninjured.

58 Years Reporter

Herbert Wye, who in 1882 reported the last public speech of the Duke of Clarence, uncle of the King, and has attended royal events in five reigns, has just retired after fifty-eight years in London journalism.

Due to a delay on the main line, the Imperial Airways plane arrived at Kai Tak at 9.30 to-day instead of yesterday afternoon. She carried two passengers, Mr. Gough from Hanoi, and a Chinaman from Bangkok. There were 102,464 kilos of mail, and 23,170 kilos of freight.

HONOLULU, Apr. 5 (Reuter).—The Maureland has arrived here.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 3rd MAY, 1940 at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1939, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 17th APRIL to 3rd MAY, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1940.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Thirty-fifth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building, on Monday, the 22nd April, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 6th April to 22nd April, 1940, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY
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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD.

The Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, 6th Floor, on Thursday, 11th April, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, 8th April, to Thursday, 11th, 1940, both days inclusive. DOUGLAS LARRAK & CO. General Managers. Hongkong, 2nd April, 1940.

HONGKONG BLACKOUT

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2.—From the air raid warning to the "All Clear."
3.—From the first "All Clear" to the second "air raid warning."
4.—From the second "air raid warning" to the second "All Clear." Vehicles will be required to pull into the side of the road and cease running only during the period of the first air raid (No. 2). During this period they must extinguish all lights, whether masked or unmasked.

Ships Must Tie Up

During the other three periods—from sunset until the end of the second raid, all lights on vehicles must be masked in accordance with the regulations. Traffic with suitably masked lights will be permitted to run during periods 1, 3 and 4.

Lighting in ships in the harbour must conform with the regulations and all ships, for the first time in Hongkong, will be required to extinguish lights (including navigation and riding lights) during the first air raid. During this period, even the movement of shipping must cease. If a vessel is under way when the first "air raid warning" is sounded, they must proceed with navigation lights alight to the nearest safe anchorage or jetty and then extinguish lights.

Householders Warned

Householders will be permitted to keep lights on from sunset until the sounding of the first air raid siren, but during both air raids all lights must be extinguished or suitably obscured. Lights may be switched on between the "All Clear" signal after the first raid and the "air raid warning" that will notify commencement of the second raid.

Sky signs, neon lights, lights used inside shops for the purpose of advertisement, etc., must remain extinguished from sunset until the conclusion of the entire exercises. During next Thursday's experiments, the blackout will apply to the New Territories.

Due to the fact that it is not practicable to communicate the air raid warning signals to the outlying districts of the New Territories, all lights must be obscured from sunset on Thursday to sunrise on Friday.

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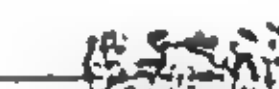
PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of April, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Area in Acres	Upset Price
1	4289	Ma Tau Chung, Junction of Ma Tau Chung Road and Ma Tau Chung Road.	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet.	40,000	0.92	\$2,750

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Area in Acres	Upset Price
2	2207	Ma Tau Wei, Junction of Boundary Street and College Road.	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet.	16,000	0.36	\$1,200

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ARMED MERCHANT- MAN OF AIR BEATS NAZI PIRATES IN DUEL

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about three minutes of intensive firing the two Germans climbed and circled above to watch for others attack the Sunderland from the rear. The British gunner in the tall held his fire until the Germans were within 100 yards. Then he let go with all four guns. Two Nazis Downed

The leading German plane swerved and plunged into the sea in flames. A moment later another spiralled down to a forced landing in Norway. The Junkers circling overhead then entered the battle but were forced to withdraw.

One Down in Flames

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—A single Sunderland type flying boat routed six German aircraft attacking a convoy in the North Sea yesterday, "Reuter" learns.

It shot down one of the German planes in flames and so damaged another that it was forced to land in Norway.

It was the first time that a British flying-boat had been in combat, and its opponents were the Junker 88 type, which are among the latest, fastest and most manoeuvrable German type.

The battle was one of the most spectacular which had ever occurred over the North Sea. The Sunderland had been searching the area and found a German aircraft which made off when attacked.

An hour later, four Junkers tried to bomb a convoy, but made off after anti-aircraft fire had broken up their formation.

Then six Junkers appeared and a second combat started.

Junkers Routed

Inside the Sunderland there was a continuous blare of sound as the tall gunner revolved his huge turret, swerving the four guns beam to beam, while amidst the gunners swung the guns to keep the enemies in their sights.

A few minutes afterwards two Junkers retreated while the other four came in swiftly. The Sunderland's tall gunner held his fire until the Junkers were 100 yards away. He then opened all four guns.

The leading Junker spun down to the sea in flames and another swerved away after receiving a cascade of bullets in one engine.

It was this plane which landed in Norway.

The remaining Junkers got the full sting of the Sunderland's tail as they finally departed.

Controls Shot Away

The Sunderland landed safely at its base with its controls shot away. The Captain had an eye-lid cut by chips of metal and the second pilot suffered a slight ear injury.

Planes Attack Trawlers

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is learned that two German war planes attacked trawlers on the north-east of the Shetlands to-day.

They dropped seven bombs all of which missed their marks. When a bomb fell close to one trawler she sent out an S.O.S.

A British fighter arrived and made for one of the German machines which, however, dashed away.

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FRENCH TROOPS moving up through communication trenches into the front lines on the Western Front. This photograph gives some idea of the bitter winter conditions which reigned recently on the Western Front. The end of winter may see the oft-threatened German Blitzkrieg put into effect.—French Official War Photo.

Humiliating Suspicion

Britain's Attitude To China Comment

LONDON, Apr. 5 (Reuter).—The "Manchester Guardian" in an editorial comments that Lord Halifax has announced in Parliament that this country continues to recognise the Chongking Government as the legitimate ruler of China, and that we have not in any way changed our general policy.

It is, however, most unfortunate that we should have to make such explanations, says the paper. Why should we be under the humiliating suspicion, whether in the United States or elsewhere, of changing or in any way abating our policy which, like that of the United States itself, rests or should rest on the observance of the Nine Power Treaty assuring justice and freedom to China?

It is necessary to remember, especially at a time when Japan is seeking to attain her ends by diplomatic manoeuvres, that questions of principle are here involved. On these questions of principle we cannot and must not fall short, or even be thought to do so.

AMERICA'S BIG SWORD

TOKYO, Apr. 5 (Reuter).—The United States Navy's war games in the Pacific are the same as brandishing a big sword near Japan and "are influencing Japanese sentiment," according to a Japanese naval authority.

Referring to a possible British blockade in the Pacific, he said that Japan will oppose such a proceeding. The Sea of Japan is not really in Japanese waters, but is actually looked on as a Japanese lake, and the Japanese Government will object to an extension of the European war into Far Eastern waters.

Big Embezzlement Alleged

The allegation that Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. had been victimised to the extent of \$588,59 by embezzlement was made in Court this morning when a clerk employed by the firm, Koo Ka-ming, 25, appeared before Mr. R. Edwards.

Koo was charged with embezzlement. He was remanded for 72 hours.

MUST LEAVE COLONY

Magistrate's Warning To Portuguese Youth

"I will send you back to Foo-chow, but don't mix up with men like the first defendant or you will probably spend a great part of your life in prison," said Mr. Himsworth to Alfredo John Marques Oliveira at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Cheung Pan, 18, unemployed, was charged with breaking into Messrs. Gilman's showroom in Nathan Road on March 29 and stealing two portable radio sets, one A. C. radio, set and a Columbia gramophone to the total of \$425.

Sold To Ship's Officers

Det.-Sgt. F. Nolan said Cheung broke into the showroom and stole the radio sets mentioned in the charge, and brought them to King's Park where he asked Oliveira to sell them. The two youths managed to sell most of the sets in a cafe in Nathan Road to ship officers and British soldiers. On April 2 they went to a firm in Woosung Street where they attempted to sell a set, but were arrested.

Cheung was known to his friend as "Dopey," and he had been staying with Oliveira in a hut in Nathan Road. Cheung had three previous convictions for thefts and loitering.

Cheung requested Mr. Himsworth to place him on a bond, but he was told that the best place for him is a prison. He was sentenced to six months' hard labour. Oliveira was bound over in \$75 to be of good behaviour for a year and to be sent back to Foochow.

Mr. Eden Inspects Canadians

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, the Secretary for the Dominions, flew to an R.A.F. station in south-west England to-day to inspect the army co-operation squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Force in training there. After inspecting the squadron, Mr. Eden said it was obvious that the men were ready and eager for any task they might be called on to perform.

JAPANESE SEIZE HONGKONG JUNK

Another Hongkong-registered junk was captured by a Japanese trawler in Chinese waters this week, according to a report to the police by the master, Tung Pak.

The junk was intercepted off Sam Mun, and was boarded by the Japanese.

The crew were released after the Japanese had transferred to their own ship the cargo of goods, several rifles, a cannon and some ammunition, to the total value of \$2,000.

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We sincerely regret it, and we are doing our best to reduce it to a minimum.

But we feel that we are justified in asking those who are affected to remember that we are not only fighting for our existence as a nation but also for the existence of all those principles without which life would not be worth living.

We would urge them, when they feel the inconvenience that is necessarily imposed by war on

Russia has swallowed up a third of Poland. She has established an undisputed mastery over the Baltic States, hitherto regarded by Germany as an essential part of her living space.

No wonder doubts are spreading among the people of Germany about which were fostered and intensified by the arrival of the German exiles from the Baltic States. It is not only that, but she has seen the virtual dissolution of the anti-Comintern group which she had so laboriously built up.

WE MUST WIN!

neutral States, to ponder also the alternative of the whole of Europe suffering the unspeakable horrors which are even now being perpetrated on the unhappy Polish people.

There is, in fact, a gulf between our own and Nazi conceptions that cannot be bridged.

We believe—and we have in the British Empire a great and living example—that all nations, big and small, should not only live peacefully side by side but that they can and should all work together for the advancement of the common well-being.

Our system of international relations is based on the respect of rights and sovereignty of other nations, however small and however weak. Hitler's conception, as we have seen, is that the rights of other nations are to be measured not by justice or their individual contributions to civilization but by their armed strength alone.

The whole world has indeed witnessed how, without excuse or pause, Hitler has carefully planned and ruthlessly carried out his attacks on one small State after another, and then outraged and enslaved them. They will rise again.

★ ★ ★
THERE is no possible doubt that the conditions in German-occupied Poland are simply abominable. They are far worse than in Russian-occupied Poland.

The Vatican broadcast of January 22 spoke of "the horror and innumerable excesses committed on a helpless and homeless people" which has been "established by the unimpeachable testimony of eye-witnesses."

German methods in occupied Poland since September have passed through two phases. They tried first to terrify the population by shooting individuals picked at random from the towns. In Konin, for instance, they decided to shoot thirty-five people, and then, finding they were short of one, went into a chemist's shop and seized the first person they found.

They then realised that these methods would not avail them and lead nowhere, and they decided to decimate the natural leaders of the national movement—the Polish Government estimates the number already shot at 15,000.

There have indeed, been cases of actual torture. Conditions in the concentration camps are appalling. Religion is systematically persecuted. The crowning iniquity, in the words of the Vatican broadcast, "lies in the cynical suppression of all but the merest suggestion of religious worship in the lives of one of the most pious and devout of the peoples of Europe."

★ ★ ★
IT is no wonder there is uneasiness in Germany to-day. Prolonged repression and individual privations also do not make for confidence and gaiety. Her deteriorating social and economic position cannot provoke anything but serious concern amongst many of the German people.

But there is another and more compelling cause of Germany's uneasy state of mind. It lies in Germany's connection with Soviet Russia. The scale of their understanding is unknown outside the Kremlin and the inner circles of the Nazi party.

It may be wide or it may be narrow, but one thing is certain, and that is that it will be broken just as soon as it suits the books of Germany to break it.

There is another matter. Not even Ribbentrop would suggest that Germany has drawn any great advantage either political or material from this uneasy partnership.

★ ★ ★
WE realise that the exercise of our sea power and the use of the economic weapon entail inconvenience and even at times hardship for neutral States.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Friends of the bride will be seated on the right—friends of the groom on the left—neutrals, in the rear!"

PHOTONEWS



WATCH ON BRITAIN'S COAST

BECAUSE invasion of Britain from the sea is not regarded by the British man-in-the-street as a serious possibility, little is known of Britain's coastal defence batteries.

But these batteries not only exist—they are a constant challenge to an invader and they form a vital part of the country's defences.

During the last war only one or two batteries on the east coast came into action, but to-day the watch on the coast goes on day and night. The guns are manned by the Royal Artillery and the searchlights by the Royal Engineers. All were, before the war, members of the Territorial Army and to-day the batteries they serve are for the most part on the

coasts of their own native counties.

At all times there has been a steady and sufficient flow of recruits, many of whom are veteran gunners who did service on the various battle fronts in the last war and whose experience now serves them well. Their training and readiness to serve releases younger men for more active service.

with close defence and counter bombardment guns. Their combined strength has turned Britain into a fortress, safe from sea attack on its shores.

Monotony is the coast watcher's greatest enemy, as the opportunity to bring the guns into play may never occur, but the coastal batteries are, nevertheless, a vital part of the home defences.

CAPTIONS:

- 1.—Observation and control post.
- 2.—Loading a gun.
- 3.—One of the King guns in action.
- 4.—Watching results of shell fire.
- 5.—A picture typifying the constant watch that is being kept at each of these Coastal Batteries.

THOUGH many veterans of the last war are included in the ranks, the standard of physical fitness required is high as the men have to be on duty in all weathers and also have the heavy task of loading the guns.

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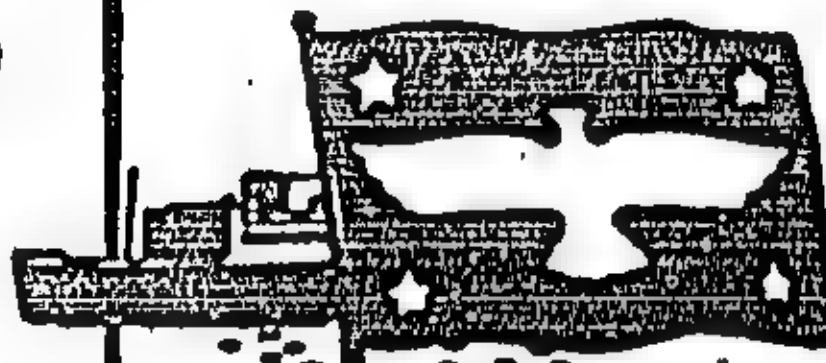
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April 5, 1890.
It is estimated that 200,000 miners have struck work. The duration of the strike is doubtful as there are some signs of a concession. In South Stafford and East Worcester the miners refused to join the movement.

25 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1915.
Reuter's Capetown correspondent states that the Union forces have re-occupied an important success, occupying, without opposition, Warmbad in German South-West Africa. Warmbad is situated just inside the frontier between the Cape Colony and German South-West Africa.

10 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1930.
The Great War cost the United States of America approximately a gross sum of \$351,400,000, according to figures compiled by the Treasury Department on the eve of the anniversary of the American declaration of war.

The Nanking Mandate ordering a punitive expedition against Marshal Yen Hui-shan, issued by the State Council this morning, has been reached by the Nationalist leaders for the arrest and punishment of Marshal Yen.

5 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1935.
Hignor Mussolini suggests the formation of a three-power policy between Britain, France and Italy with respect to Germany's regulation of the Treaty of Versailles. He would have these three nations agreed upon the tactics they are to adopt towards Germany at the coming session of the League of Nations Council.

The Lithuanian Government has despatched a note protesting against the interference of Germany in the internal affairs of Lithuania.

"The reason for my conviction that there will be no major war in this generation is my observation that the awakened national sentiment is providing just that note of reality and power which has been needed to make effective and practical the economic intelligence underlying Communism and Socialism," said the Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall, Bishop of Victoria, in the course of his presidential address at the annual meeting of the Hongkong branch of the League of Nations Society at the Helene May Institute.



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THE THETIS DISASTER

Tribunal's Report Published

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The Tribunal which inquired into the loss of the submarine Thetis with a loss of 99 lives last June has issued a report stating that it is generally unable to assign any definite reasons for the disaster.

The report tabulates six facts which in sequence produced the disaster:
1.—Complete blocking of (port) rock in rear door of number five torpedo tube with bitumastic enamel.
2.—Opening of rear door of number five tube when bow cap was open.
3.—Failure to effectively close the port water-tight bulkhead door.
4.—Failure of the crew to refloat submarine.
5.—Failure of assistance from outside.
6.—Failure of crew to escape from the Thetis.

More Imports From U.S.

Big Purchases By The Allies Reported

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
LONDON, Apr. 4 (UP).—In the House of Commons to-day the Minister of Economic Warfare, Mr. Ronald Cross, said the value of United States exports to the United Kingdom and France for the four months ending December 31 increased by \$22,000,000 as compared with the corresponding period in 1939.

United States exports to Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy and the Soviet Union increased by \$98,000,000 in the same period.
Mr. Cross said the question of imports to neutral countries contiguous to Germany is constantly under review, but it could not be assumed that exports from any country to contiguous neutrals over a short period necessarily implied a leak in the blockade.

Neutrals Increase Imports
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Ronald Cross, Minister of Economic Warfare, said in the House of Commons to-day that in four months ending last December the United States exports to the United Kingdom and France showed an increase of \$22,000,000 as compared with the same period in 1939.

The value of United States exports to Holland, Belgium, Switzerland and Scandinavia was \$68,000,000 higher than for the same period in 1939.

He gave his assurance that the difficult question of imports into neutral countries passing to Germany was under constant review.

It could not be assumed that an increase of exports to any country contiguous to Germany over a short period necessarily implied a leak in the blockade.

Allies' Arrangement
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is announced that in accordance with the arrangements made in February and extended as the result of discussions last week-end between the President of the Board of Trade and the French Minister of Commerce, increased facilities have been agreed upon regarding imports into the United Kingdom from France and parts of the French Empire, and from the United Kingdom into France, Tunis, Syria and Lebanon.

These steps have been taken within the framework of the special economic and financial arrangements in force between the British and French Governments.

Contraband Work In Mediterranean

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is learned in authoritative sources that the cargoes of 408 ships, exclusive of vessels coming from the Far East, were confiscated in the Contraband Control base in the Mediterranean during March.

One patrol area alone, during two months, boarded 208 ships for inspection of papers, and communicated with 608 ships by signal.

Some well-known Contraband Control bases but most were allowed to proceed without delay.

Reorganising U.S. Navy Dept.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt and his naval advisers have agreed that the Navy's administration should be re-organised to provide, among other things, the new post of Under-Secretary of the Navy and Bureau of Ships.
The present Bureau of Engineering, Construction and Repairs will be consolidated in the form of the new bureau.
A Bill to effect the re-organisation will be introduced at Congress.

**Metal Effigies
For Fuehrer**
AMSTERDAM, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Busts and heads of Hitler are included in the many objects which are being handed over for the metal collection.

The authorities are also receiving effigies of the ex-Kaiser, Beethoven, Wagner and Dostoevsky.
It is estimated that 10,000 effigies have been surrendered.
Over 100,000 cowbells have been collected from Austria.

Exploiting Poland

Nazi Four-Year-Plan Is Exposed

PARIS, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The existence of a Nazi Four-year Plan for the systematic exploitation of Poland has been released by the Polish Government Press Bureau in Paris, which publishes the instructions given by Berlin to the German authorities in Poland.

The aim of the plan is to place the whole of Poland's resources at the service of the German war machine without the slightest regard for the needs of the Poles either now or the future.

The preamble says that no long-range economic policy can be conducted in Poland. On the contrary, it is necessary to conduct the economic life of that area so that at the shortest notice it can achieve the maximum service for strengthening the Reich war economy.

Chief Provisions

The provisions include:
(1) Polish agricultural production is to be increased and set aside for the use of the German army. Only if there is a surplus will Poles get anything.
(2) The cutting up of timber is to be increased without regard for the conservation of forests.
(3) The output of raw material is to be speeded up.
(4) Industrial production for Poles is to be restricted to a minimum; all production capable of serving German interests is to be maintained and the rest to be sent to Germany.
(5) At least 1,000,000 men and women to be despatched as workers, of whom 750,000 will be used for farm work.
(6) Poles working in Germany will receive sufficient food to keep up their strength; the rest will receive a bare minimum of rations.

Gold Flows To U.S.

Record Intake During Last Week

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
WASHINGTON, Apr. 4 (UP).—The Department of Commerce to-day announced a record-breaking flow of gold to the United States for the week ending March 27—a total of \$231,237,000, which is twice the value of the preceding week's gold imports.

The shipments included \$185,000,000 from Canada, \$15,000,000 from the United Kingdom, \$13,000,000 from Sweden, \$2,000,000 from Colombia, \$2,700,000 from South Africa and \$1,000,000 from British India.
Imports of silver totalled \$1,111,000 and exports \$228,000.

Less Coal For Germany

Holland's Rationing Shocks Nazis

AMSTERDAM, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is learned that there is a good deal of dissatisfaction in Germany at the Netherlands Government's decision to introduce coal rationing.

Germany possesses the largest supplies of coal in any country in Europe, and the decree announcing the scheme, published in the morning papers, came as a most unpleasant surprise.

Last winter's shortage was mainly attributed to the exceptionally cold weather paralysing transport.

It appears, however, that a definite shortage is expected next winter whatever the weather may be.

Reynaud Agrees To Debate

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
PARIS, Apr. 4 (UP).—The French Premier has agreed to allow the Chamber of Deputies to conduct a general debate on his Ministry and its policies prior to Parliament going into recess for the Spring vacation.

This action is the aftermath of demands by the Radical Socialists for an opportunity to make clear their attitude to the Government.

No Hostile Motion
PARIS, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The Radical deputies held a meeting here this afternoon which had been awaited for with some apprehension in political circles. But the meeting did not produce any motion hostile to the Government.

On the contrary, many insisted that the Radical group now wishes to bear no hostility to the Cabinet but desire that an opportunity should be given before the Chamber adjourns for a clear government majority to be recorded.

NEW G.O.C. FOR CANADIANS

OTTAWA, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—It is announced that Brigadier-General Victor Wenworth Odlum has been chosen to command the Second Division of the Canadian Active Service Corps.

Major-General Andrew McNaughton commands the First Division, which is already in England.

REYNAUD'S BROADCAST

Not Peace Treaty This Time, But Real Peace

PARIS, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Broadcasting to the United States on Wednesday night, M. Paul Reynaud, the French Premier, affirmed France's determination to conduct the war with increasing energy and carry through to the bitter end.

France, he said, was waging war to establish with her ally peace in Europe and a permanent peace. It was not a question of making another peace treaty this time. It was the making of a real peace, not one for 25 years, but for our children and their children's children.

New Kind Of War

He referred to the war as a new kind of war unlike any other. For instance, although the victory of the Allies was of vital interest to certain neutral countries in Europe, their fear of Germany had led them to work against their own interests.

"We shall use the victory to make little nations free. They will have their due place beside the big nations," he said.

M. Reynaud emphasised that victory must be first. No peace treaty in history proves that it was ever drawn at a conference table when a decision had not been made on the battlefield.

Realistic And Idealistic

The conception of peace on this side of the Maginot Line is at once realistic and idealistic. We know what sort of peace Nazi Germany is meditating on the other side—a smothering peace which reigns for the time being. Such a peace would mean the blackout of those democratic principles which the Pope stressed on Easter morning with such vigour and the death of all our democratic principles.

That must not be. We shall act with such energy that there will be no blackout of civilisation. The Allied cause, which is the cause of liberty, will triumph.

British Govt. Trading Co.

Formation Of New War Concern Announced

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, intimated that the Government had decided to form a special trading company called the English Commercial Corporation, the capital of which would be subscribed by the Treasury.

The company would at present be primarily concerned in trade with Bulgaria, Greece, Hungary, Rumania, Turkey and Yugoslavia and will work as a commercial independent entity subject to consultation with the Government.

The Chairman is Lord Swinton.

Permanent Body

"Reuter" understands that the company will be a permanent body. The Board of Directors of the new company will include Mr. Alfred Chester Beatty, F.S.A., Mr. G.S.T.Q. Beatty, Mr. C.D. Lister, Mr. G.A. MacEwen, Mr. J.H. Hambro and Mr. F.H. Nixon.

Mr. Beatty, who was born in New York 65 years ago and became a naturalised Englishman in 1933, has done much work in America and Northern Rhodesia in connection with mines.

Mr. Bensley is a partner of Ralli Brothers, well-known Indian merchants.

Mr. Nixon, who is the Manager of the Exports Credit Guarantee Department, was the Commissioner of the Austrian Government for floating the Austrian Reconstruction Loans in 1923. He was a member of the Financial Mission to Poland the following year and became President of the International Union of Credit Insurers in 1935.

POLISH CHARGES AGAINST REDS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

PARIS, Apr. 4 (UP).—The Polish Information Centre alleged that an epidemic is following famine at Lwow in south-eastern Poland.

Aided by the lack of medical supplies, the epidemic is causing 250 deaths daily. Infant mortality has reached 75 per cent.

The Poles charged that the Russians are arresting 500 persons daily, deporting them to Russia in cattle cars. Hundreds are freezing to death in the sub-zero weather.

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—A colliery, which is expected to be the largest in Britain, will be opened soon in Fifehire. By midsummer the colliery should be turning out some 400 tons of coal an hour.

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WESTERN FRONT

Guns Still Thunder

Nazi Patrol Raids In No-man's-Land

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
PARIS, Apr. 4 (UP).—German artillery carried out a heavy bombardment throughout last night in the sector east of the Moselle River.

There was lighter artillery activity in the Vosges region, while large numbers of German patrols combed No Man's Land where they contacted several French advance posts.

There was an important raid in the Nied sector. A French post was almost encircled when cover troops succeeded in repulsing the attack and took seven German prisoners.

Meanwhile poor weather conditions hampered aerial activity on both sides.

French Communiqué

PARIS, Apr. 4 (UP).—The 428th official communiqué said that there was local infantry and artillery activity in the region east of the Moselle River on the Western Front to-day, and also some action along the Rhine.

German Admission

BERLIN, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The official news agency in a war commentary admits that German patrols "sometimes fall into enemy traps."

The agency says that the guerrilla warfare in No Man's Land, which is daily waged by numerically small units, has been intensified with warmer weather and adds: "Ambushes are laid by patrols from both sides at night in dark woods or evacuated villages. German patrols have made numerous prisoners by this means."

"Sometimes, however, some of our patrols fall into enemy traps."

China Not To Give In

Mr. Quo Tai-chi's Declaration

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—China's determination to resist to the bitter end was reiterated by Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador, speaking at a meeting of the English-speaking Union.

He declared that England and China were at present engaged in a life and death struggle in Europe and Asia for ideals and principles which alone make life worth living.

Only Peace Aims

"China has no war aims, only peace. The war with Japan was forced on us. Determined as China is to preserve her integrity, she is no less determined to encourage and participate in an international life that can be made practicable by goodwill and enlightened self-abnegation."

Mr. Quo Tai-chi stressed Japan's dependence on the United States for war materials, and declared his confidence that Washington will bring about a stoppage of metal and oil, without which Japan will be powerless to continue the war.

He reiterated the Wang Ching-wei Government which, he said, would turn out to be not an ace or a trump card but only a joker.

SECRET SESSION OF COMMONS

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—A Secret Session of the House of Commons will be held next Thursday to discuss economic warfare.

The Prime Minister made this announcement this afternoon in the House of Commons in reply to a question by the Rt. Hon. Mr. Attlee who pointed out the difficulty in discussing the conduct of an economic war in public.

Mr. Chamberlain quite agreed that the subject was one of great importance and one which might prove difficult to debate in public.

He would be very glad, he said, to make the necessary arrangements for a secret session.

Turkey's Exports To Nazis Drop

ANKARA, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—During the first two months of 1940, Turkey's exports to Germany fell to two per cent of the total exports as compared with 51 per cent last year. Exports to Britain and France rose to 28 per cent of the total, an increase of 22 per cent.

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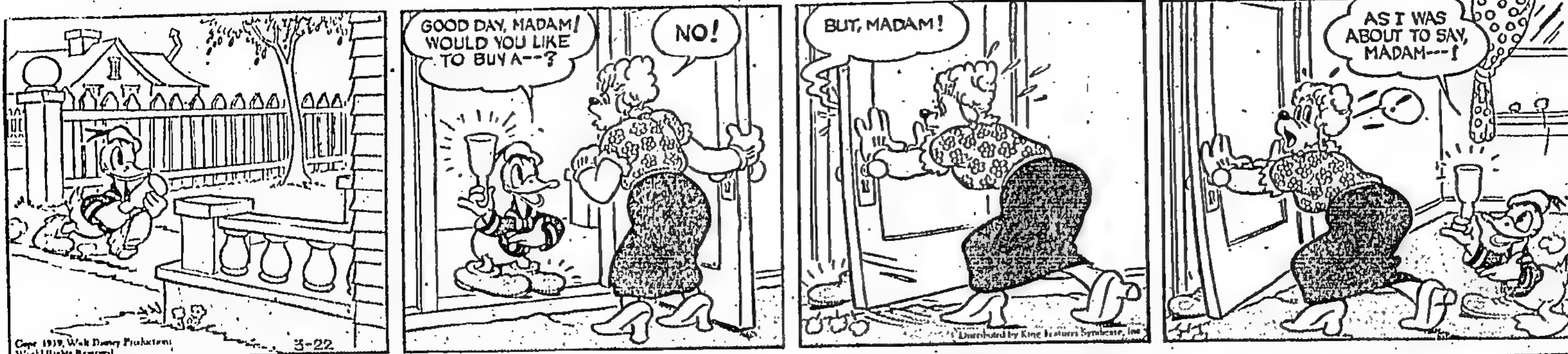
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Mystery 'British' Radio Pirate Attacks Britain

HE'S WAITING FOR THE NAZIS



An Australian soldier practising with a machine-gun before leaving for active service.

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA FOR THE RESERVISTS

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

CANBERRA. The late Sir Charles Kingsford Smith's famous plane, the Southern Cross, which was reported to be falling to pieces in a shed at Mascot, through lack of care, will not be housed in the National War Museum at Canberra.

It was explained officially on Monday that the War Memorial Board of Management could not accept exhibits other than relics of the last war.

The Director of Civil Aviation denied that the Southern Cross, in which the late Sir Charles Kingsford Smith made several famous record flights, was lying neglected, as reported at Canberra. Mr. Corbett explained the Government had purchased the plane, intending to place it in a memorial hangar, housing relics showing the progress of Australian aviation, but, because of the war, and the fact that such a building would cost several thousand pounds, the project had been postponed.

COMMUNIST PARTY

BUNDEBERG. The City Council had agreed to a motion urging the Federal Government to have the Communist Party declared an illegal organisation.

A motion brought forward at the request of the Bundaberg Shire Council, which recently made a similar decision, was carried on the casting vote by the Mayor (Alderman F. Buss).

SLIGHT EARTHQUAKE

MELBOURNE. Several Melbourne suburbs experienced a slight earth tremor at 5 a.m. today. The tremor was accompanied by a trembling noise which awoke many people. In one or two instances crockery falling from shelves was reported.

TAIROA SAILORS

MELBOURNE. News of the release of the Altmark captives was received on Monday with joy by relatives of several Sydney and Melbourne men.

Mrs. Katherine O'Brien, of Brunswick, received the following message from her son, who was a member of the Tairoa crew: "Arrived in England, safe, Pat."

Mrs. E. Evans, of South Melbourne, also learned that her son, George Kenneth John Evans, a member of the Tairoa crew, was safe. He was 20 and was making his first voyage.

STUBBS SETS RECORD

SYDNEY. A. J. Stubbs (South Sydney) created a world's record by walking a mile in 6min. 10.4sec. at the Sports Ground on Saturday. He was competing on the final day of the State track and field championships.

and retained the javelin throw with an effort of 109ft. 3 1/2in.

P. Endes won the 440 yards championship in 49.4sec. This time has been bettered only once in a State title race, although it is 1.5sec. outside the Australian record.

A great battle in the 120 yards hurdles championship resulted in F. E. Popplewell taking an inches victory from his gutter club mate, S. G. Stenney, last year's winner.

S. H. Suhan won the 800 yards by 30 yards in 2min. 1sec., lowering T. G. Gleeson's 1935 record by 0.4sec.

KIMBER V. NEGUS

MELBOURNE. Al. Kimber (V.1235) of Sydney, ranked a surprise by stopping Wyn. Negus (10.02) in the eighth round of a 12-round match, at the Melbourne Stadium on Saturday night. He is the first to score a knockout over Negus.

Kimber, who arrived only to-day, lived up to his reputation of having a good left hand, but did not use it as often or as boldly as Negus had used. Negus, however, was not in his right, particularly in the last few rounds, carried more pep than many suspected.

Hitler Drops A Grandiose Scheme

Old Age Pensions Plan To Be Held Up

BERLIN, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Hitler's grandiose old age pensions scheme which was announced with a great flourish of trumpets in the press last February is not to be introduced until after the war, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Neue Zuercher Zeitung".

This means that the plan to use the new pension contributions, which were to have been levied on all insured persons over the age of sixteen, for State financing, has been abandoned owing to public reaction.

The correspondent adds that the idea of instituting forced savings also appears to have been abandoned.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).

—Mr. Jesse Jones, the Federal Loan Administrator, announced that he is asking Congress for authority to use part of the \$20,000,000 loan to Finland for reconstruction work in Finland.

'STOP THE WAR' TIRADE

A NEW mystery radio station, announcing itself as the New British Broadcasting Station, is on the air.

The programme opened with Loch Lomond, played slowly on a piano. In thin, deliberate tones the English announcer then said:

"You are listening to the New British Broadcasting Station, which you will hear transmitting four times a night. We address ourselves to every Britisher who loves his country, no matter what party he belongs to."

Then he started with a bitter anti-British and "stop the war" tirade. Again and again came phrases familiar to Britons who listen to German broadcasts.

Here are some of them:—"They speak of splitting Germany into fragments and making those Nazis to the line. They do not realise that a strong nation will never give up its idea of unity once it is established in the hearts of the people."

Powerful Transmitter

"Humiliation and even defeat at the hands of a foreign Power can only increase the unity of a political party. Why are we fighting? Because Germany's new economic and financial system cuts across the principles of international capitalism and threatens the destruction of international Jewry."

Radio experts said they doubted if the broadcast could have been made with a portable mobile transmitter of the type necessarily used by a pirate broadcaster.

It is more likely that it was given from a powerful foreign transmitter using an unauthorised wavelength. The strength and steadiness of reception could not have been achieved by a small transmitting unit.

The broadcast ended with the very quick playing of "God Save the King."

An official of the B.B.C. said: "This is the first time this new station has been heard, but we shall go on listening to it to see what these broadeners are up to. At present it is impossible to establish where it is coming from."

Eden Thanks Canadians

Addresses Airmen On Visit To Station

LONDON, Apr. 4 (British Wire).—Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary of State for War, addressed airmen of the first Royal Canadian Air Force Squadron to be sent to this country after recruitment and training in Canada for overseas service.

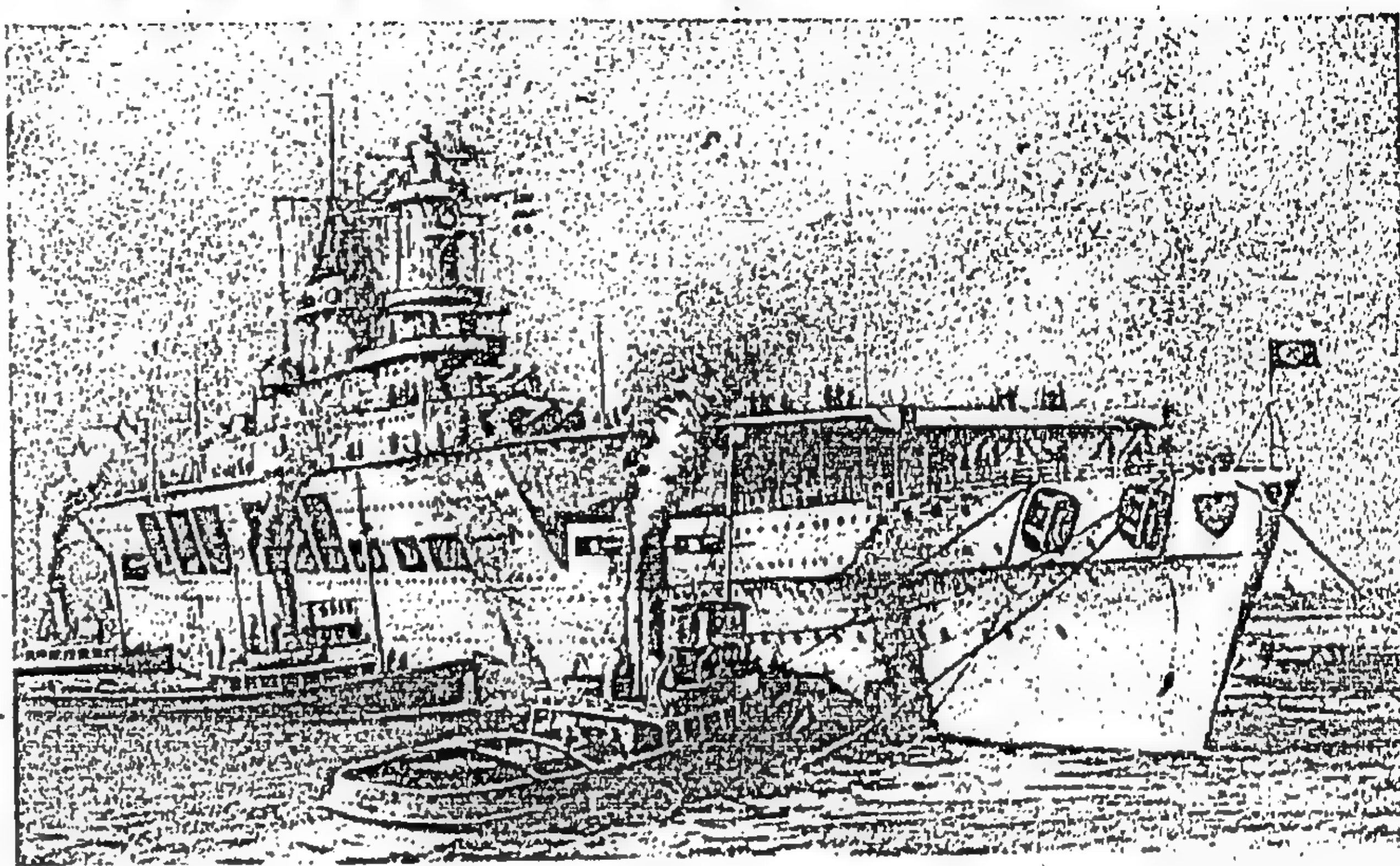
Mr. Eden, congratulating the men, said it was obvious that they had already made much progress that they were prepared for any task that they be called upon to perform, and he suspected that all were eager for the moment when that task came. Drawn as they were from all parts of Canada, the unity and determination of all Canadian people to stand side by side with the Allies in the common task was expressed in their unity.

The Vanguard

"You are the vanguard of Canada's airmen. We know that there are now training in that Dominion and elsewhere under the great Empire Training Scheme tens of thousands of pilots, ground crews and observers who, as time goes on, will play a decisive part in the struggle that lies ahead."

Discussing the issues at stake Mr. Eden said: "Until Hitlerism and all it stands for is destroyed, there is no means of creating that better world which we want to see for ourselves and our children. Because you from Canada have come to help us in that task we can never cease to be grateful. On behalf of the Government I thank you and wish you good luck and God speed."

HERE IS THE NAZIS NEW AIRCRAFT CARRIER



An artist's impression of the G raif Zeppelin, the first aircraft carrier of the Nazi Navy, nearing completion at Kiel.

Risked Death at 15,000-ft. for A Thrill

Canadian Said: "It was so grand up there"

By ANDRE MAUROIS

"THESE YOUNG PILOTS THAT THE DOMINIONS ARE SENDING US," SAID THE COMMANDER OF THE SCHOOL "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE," "ARE SPLENDID... BUT SOMETIMES A LITTLE FRIGHTENING."

"The other day I sent one up to do his height test. We forbade him to go above 10,000ft. without oxygen. The weather was marvellous—bright sunshine and a sky as blue as any sky of Italy."

"When he got up our young Canadian was as intoxicated with the purity of it all as a lark or a spring poet; so he went on climbing... 12,000ft... 15,000... And then, doubtless, his head failed him and he dived flat out."

"Pilots are advised to straighten up when they reach a certain height, but when descent is so rapid the needle lags behind the altitude and this young man got nearly to the ground at full speed."

"When I saw this meter approaching, my knees sagged a little and I said to myself, 'Poor little devil. That's that.' But that was not that."

Without mishap

"Our Canadian landed with a shocking din of trembling stays and metal, but without crash. Once reassured, I naturally lost my temper, and him brought in, and said: 'That was all merely stupid. What good did it do? Now you've got an appalling headache.' Sorry, sir, he said, but I haven't a headache."

"You've split an ear-drum then? Sorry, sir, he said again, but I've not split an ear-drum. Well, in any case, you've behaved in a ridiculous manner. I see that now, sir, he said, but it was so grand up there."

At that moment a young man saluted us as he passed.

"That's rather a curious case," said the Commandant. "He's a young actor who, without ever having been up in an aeroplane, had a part in a propaganda film, 'The Lion Has Wings.' And he liked the part so much that as soon as the film was finished, he took up flying."

All of which goes to make excellent pilots.

ALSATIAN BITES WOMAN

An Alsatian dog belonging to Mr. G. Arnold, of No. 6 Duke Street, Kewloon, was removed to Maitland hospital for observation yesterday after it had bitten a servant named Tong Kwan. The woman was treated at the Kewloon Hospital.

Summoned for possession of a black mongrel without a licence, Mrs. Nobbings, of No. 1 North Point View, appeared before Mr. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning and was fined \$2.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 1/2
Demand	1/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	350
T.T. Singapore	32 1/2
T.T. Japan	92 1/2
T.T. India	21 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	43 1/2
T.T. Manila	40 1/2
T.T. Batavia	150
T.T. Bangkok	108 1/2
T.T. Saigon	108 1/2
T.T. France	108 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	97 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2

BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	22 1/2
4 m/s France	11 3/4
30 d/s India	94
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.57 1/2

RAN IN FRONT OF CAR

A twelve-year-old Chinese boy who ran suddenly in front of a car driven by Mrs. G. A. Blandford, of West Terrace, Kowloon Docks, was admitted to Kowloon Hospital yesterday, suffering from facial injuries.

The car was proceeding through the entrance to the dockyards into Gills Avenue when the child, Kwok Ching-pak, ran into it.

His injuries are not serious.

Scheme To Sell W. African Cocoa

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The Colonial Office has announced that the British and French Governments have adopted a joint selling policy for West African cocoa in foreign markets.

The agreement is regarded as one of the first results of Mr. Malcolm MacDonald's talks with M. Georges Mandel, the French Minister of State for the Colonies.

New Chevrolet On Show

The 1940 Chevrolet has arrived. It will be on show at the showrooms of Far East Motors, 26 Nathan Road, as from April 15. The premiere showing will commence at 3 p.m. on that date, and the agents are issuing cordial invitations to those interested to visit their showrooms on this date.

MOTORISTS IN COURT

Parking Over Limit Nets Fines

Summoned for leaving her car unattended in Queen's Road Central, Miss G. F. Flower, of the War Memorial Hospital, was fined \$10 by Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy this morning. A representative admitted the offence.

Sgt. Pennell said the car, No. 3975, was left outside the King's Dispensary for 40 minutes and was parked a yard from the kerb.

Capt. I. D. K. Macrae, of 114 The Tank, was fined \$5 for leaving his car, No. 3528, in the Pedder Street car-park for over two hours on March 15. He admitted the offence by letter.

Arising from an accident in Ice House Street on March 23, when taxi No. 104 collided with a car driven by Mr. C. W. Somers, of 488 The Tank, Wong To, driver of the taxi, was summoned before Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy this morning for speeding.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ appeared for Wong and pleaded not guilty. Hearing was adjourned to April 10 at 2.30 p.m.

UNEMPLOYMENT FUND PROFIT

Excess Income For 1939 Is \$57,555,222

LONDON, Apr. 4 (British Wire).—It was stated in the Commons this afternoon that the income of the Unemployment Insurance Fund for the year ended December 31, 1939, exceeded expenditure by £10,001,578, and that there was a net balance of £57,555,222 at the end of year.

Although the state of the fund is very much better than the Unemployment Insurance Fund Statutory Committee had anticipated, the debt of the Fund was just over £770,000 at the same date. In the Committee's view it is very probable that there will be severe unemployment after the war and it recommends that £3,700,000 of that balance be allocated to the repayment of debt, thereby freeing from the Fund £1,100,000 yearly while preserving the borrowing power.

The Committee also recommends the increase of the benefit rate from three to four shillings weekly respecting children, and from 33 to 35 in respect of agricultural contributions.

The Government has decided to accept the proposals and the Commons was asked to approve. Labour Opposition moved an amendment, asking for application of the balance to increased benefits, and contended that it was the Government's duty to prepare a plan for transition from war to peace economy and to avoid severe unemployment after the war.

SOLIDARITY OF DEMOCRACIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4 (UP).

—The British Government's declaration during the debate in the House of Commons on China yesterday indicates that Britain has now joined the United States in cold-shouldering the Japanese puppet show at Nanking," says the "Washington Star" in an Editorial to-day.

"Britain shows that she, too, will have nothing to do with the new government which has been established on a foundation of Japanese bayonets under the traitorous leadership of Wang Ching-wei."

"It is a new demonstration of solidarity between the United States, Great Britain and France."

Report Described As Fantastic Nonsense

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).

—Mr. Sumner Welles, the U.S. Under-Secretary of State who recently toured European capitals, described as fantastic nonsense the German charges that he and M. Reynaud, the French Premier, had discussed a map depicting French plans to whittle down Reich territory. Mr. Welles said that during his interviews in Europe no reference was made to maps.

Japanese To Face Army Of 12,000,000

CHUNGKING, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—China will be able to put 12,000,000 troops in the field for a great counter-offensive when the opportune moment arrives," authoritative Chinese quarters said to-day.

It is stated that 4,000,000 are already under arms and will be reinforced by 8,000,000 who are now being trained and who are expected to be ready for action in a year.

It is estimated that Japan has about 1,000,000 men at present in China.

STOCK EXCHANGE STEADY

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange opened quietly and was steady. Later the market tended to ease on lack of support though gold-mining shares resisted the downward trend.

After the close, the I.C.I. declared a final dividend of five per cent, thereby maintaining the year's distribution of eight per cent.

Wall Street was firm and active.

PEAK RESIDENCE BURGLARY

A thief entered the residence of Mr. E. G. Price at No. 183 The Peak during Wednesday night, and stole jewellery to the value of \$235. The Police were informed and they later recovered jewellery valued at \$170. This was the second robbery from Mr. Price's house. Three days ago, he reported the theft of money and jewellery worth \$98.

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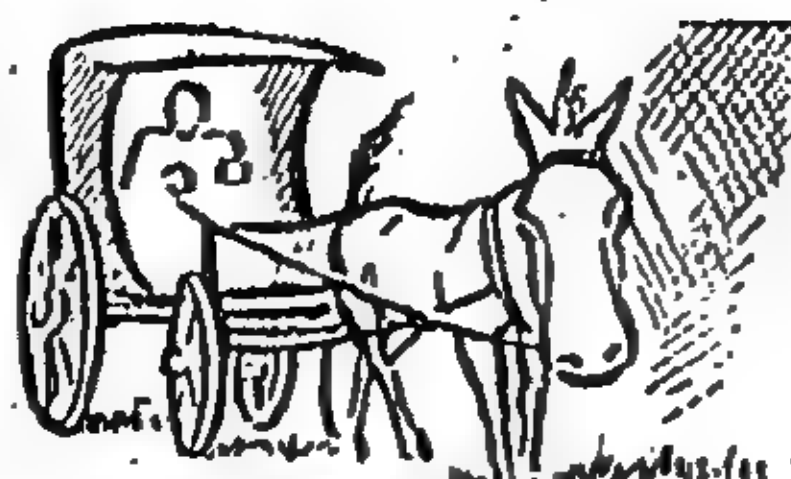
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Rewards of Service

The small sum left by the late James Savage, Prime Minister of New Zealand, is welcome evidence that there are political leaders who approach their high office with no thought of self-enrichment.

Perhaps France, among the democratic countries, has been conspicuous for its Chief Executives who have personally preferred to live in humble style. A notable example was Emile Loubet, President during the Dreyfus case, who was a man of humble means and habits. His successor, Armand Fallieres, of peasant stock, could be seen after retirement tending his little southern vineyard. Poincare, though comfortably provided for, lived modestly and never travelled by limousine if a railroad was available.

In Britain, tradition has usually set the Prime Minister among the possessing classes. Lloyd George, Liberal wartime premier and originally a provincial reformer, was an exception. So was Ramsay MacDonald, first Labour Prime Minister.

In Australia, the late Mr. Joseph A. Lyons, who died last Year, left only £836.

American Presidents, while enjoying the financial advantages offered in their newly developed country, have by no means consistently maintained themselves in affluence. President Washington began as almost the wealthiest landowner in the United States, with tens of thousands of acres and hundreds of slaves. Yet as a result of the war he had to borrow money to settle his debts and pay his travelling expenses to New York, when elected President. Jefferson, owner of 10,000 acres, ended his career in straitened circumstances. Jackson and McKinley both knew the meaning of hard times.

Democracy, more than any other form of government, has set up lofty principles by which its actions are constantly being measured. Yet in calling upon large numbers of citizens, the temptation to self-interest and self-enrichment is considerable. The example set by public-spirited leaders of the type of Mr. Savage is therefore a vital contribution to the integrity and survival of democratic ideals.

LORD BEAVERBROOK, owner of the London "Daily Express," the newspaper with the world's greatest circulation, has written a series of articles on Britain's position to-day, after seven months of war. In pursuance of his decision to offer the series to leading newspapers throughout the British Empire, Lord Beaverbrook has forwarded the articles to the "Telegraph" for publication in Hongkong. The first appears below.

"Make Ye Sure To Each His Own"

VICTORY in the war depends on supplies of food.

There must be production and import to feed the populations here and on the fighting fronts. There must be production at home and import from abroad to supply our needs in feeding-stuffs for beasts and poultry.

What are the prospects and the possibilities?

First of all, our requirements. In spite of the rationing, we need more food now than we did before war began. That increase in our needs is due to the soldiers, who must be fed on a fighting basis.

That is to say, they must have the supplies necessary for men exposed to the elements, undertaking heavy labour, working long hours at arduous tasks and strenuous duties.

Then again, there is the immense inflow of troops from overseas, and the camp-followers and refugees from many lands.

stock in reserve. And there is no store of food so good as animals in the pasture.

So when you hear the old, bad argument which thoughtless people put forward that it is easier to import beef than feeding-stuffs, reject it. When you hear the story that more food value is obtained by farming for grain and potatoes than can be got out of beasts, reject it too. We have plenty of acres for both.

That is the broad picture of what waits to be accomplished in developing production. That is the main task. But there is also consumption. What can be done in that direction to regulate our national life to the wartime situation?

This is a matter in which the whole population is interested. Every household is concerned. So also are the restaurants and the clubs, and, indeed, every public place where food is served.

And the whole public should co-operate with the producers by diverting our consumption to the foodstuffs which can be grown in our own country.

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FIRST, we can look for a much bigger acreage under the plough. J. F. Wright tells me that the present programme has brought half a million additional acres into our total of ploughed land. It is not as much as we have a right to expect. A method must be devised by which the arable land of Britain is increased by four million acres. And it is perfectly possible to achieve that result. The land is there, waiting for the plough.

Back to 1870, that must be the cry. 1870, when, with a population of 26 millions, we had 17½ million acres of arable land, as against the 1940 figure of 45 millions of population and less than 12 million acres.

This would be a development immensely increasing our home supplies of food for man and beast. Then we can increase our livestock in every direction, especially if we have plenty of fodder. We can increase our herds, which have lately suffered a serious decline.

John Edwards tells me that, since the outbreak of war, our cattle resources have been depleted by half a million head out of 8,000,000. That our total stock of live pigs has gone down by half a million out of 3,750,000.

Gilbert Kidner estimates that the shortage of feeding-stuffs has caused a loss of five million birds out of 20,000,000 on the poultry farms and in the farmyards of Britain.

There is certainly a pressing necessity for an increase in hens. For we should produce all the eggs we require.

Now this decline in cattle, pigs and poultry, due to the failure in supply of foodstuffs, must be restored forthwith as increased quantities become available. And we must further provide for very considerable improvement in livestock as well.

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SO here is the demand: That our producers the farming people, should give us more than sixteen million acres under the plough. In 1918 we were within 200,000 acres of that figure. They should increase livestock until our herds of cattle reach more than eleven million head. Five million pigs would not be too many. And an increase in poultry to provide all our egg and table birds. An increase from twenty-five million to thirty million sheep on our pastures would be desirable.

It is necessary to increase the herds. If we do so, we have the

FRESH milk. We can increase the consumption thus reducing the demand for some foreign foodstuffs. For there is enough milk produced in Britain to meet all our requirements.

But manufactured milk in all its forms, including butter, should be a subject for economy. For every tin of manufactured milk, the produce of Britain, which we consume, three tins come in from overseas.

Vegetables, we can eat more. That is a broad principle of consumption. For the great bulk of the vegetables we eat are grown in our own soil. And there is every reason to suppose that we can produce them all.

Nor need we stint our consumption of eggs. It is true that one in three of the eggs we eat is imported. Holland and Denmark are our chief foreign suppliers. But here we can

In 1870, with a population of 26 millions, we had 17½ million acres of arable land. Now we have 45 millions of population and under 12 million acres in cultivation.

How can we make up that shortage in our food production?

by
LORD BEAVERBROOK

WHERE then must we economise?

In beef, because we buy half our beef from abroad. And that is a situation that can only be remedied in part and over a long time.

Bacon, too, should be consumed with economy. We produce less than a third of the bacon we eat. And while increases in production are most desirable, we cannot expect to meet our total requirements.

There is much to be said for devoting ourselves to securing increases in other directions where results will be swifter and more satisfactory.

We should eat less mutton and lamb. For we graze on our own pastures less than half the sheep that we need.

We should use less sugar. We should make a point of securing this economy. Our home-grown sugar amounts to a third of the sugar we eat. And we eat too much of it. A reduction in the national consumption could be effected with benefit to the health of the community.

Now it has been shown (1) that increased production will go a very long way to fulfil our needs; (2) that economy in consumption, with more reliance upon foods that we can grow at home, will also give us great benefits.

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AND how will these benefits be bestowed upon us?

We may expect to save half the money that we send abroad to pay for purchases of food. Half the food is not an over-estimate of what can be done. If the arable acreage is increased from 12,000,000 acres by an additional 4,000,000 with the increase in livestock that would accompany that expansion in tillage, we would be going a long way towards the objective.

By reducing our import of food we may look for a big saving in foreign exchange.

There is perhaps no other direction in which we can achieve a comparable economy in our reserve of foreign exchange.

In the last year of peace we spent £301,000,000 in importing foodstuffs. The saving of half of that immense sum would strengthen our financial position immensely. It would release a huge sum of money for the purchase of the implements and the raw material essential for war.

If need arose, we could buy a fleet of thousands of American airplanes out of the money we save by devoting ourselves to our own home food programme. We could do it without throwing on to the market one additional bar of gold in British ownership.

We would also relieve the pressure upon shipping tonnage. The fewer the ships that we must employ to bring us food, the greater the number of ships that we can use to bring munitions and arms to Britain.

Twenty-three million tons of shipping are engaged in the course of a year in transporting foodstuffs across the seas for the supply of the British population with adequate produce.

If we grow half the food at home, half that tonnage can be dispensed with. Nearly twelve million tons of shipping accommodation can be put at the disposal of the Shipping Minister.

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IT is a startling economy. It is equal to the carrying capacity of the entire merchant fleet

of Norway, making three round trips in a year from Australia, Canada, and the River Plate.

It is as though the entire mercantile marine of the United States of America was at our disposal for one voyage, with all the produce that these ships could carry.

What a gift! What a bonafaction! What a splendid help in time of trouble!

And, by reducing the wartime pressure upon shipping, we would do something to prevent an undue rise in freight charges.

The money paid to a shipowner for carrying a cargo of grain to a British harbour actually amounts to more than twice as much as the charge before war broke out.

This immense increase in freight rates is one of the most important factors in promoting a rise in food prices.

So by this increase in production that we project, and by this economy in consumption, coupled with a diversion to home-grown foods, we help to protect ourselves against further rise in the cost of living.

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AND there is one more contribution that can be offered by almost every member of the public. It is the contribution he can make in the guise of a producer in a small way.

For garden patches over so tiny can be cultivated. A few potatoes here, a bed of carrots there, some beetroot where the land is well fertilised.

The consumer then has the satisfaction of feasting on his own produce, the pleasure of taking some part and share in the equipment of a nation bent on the preservation of society.

There is no other such satisfaction in the human breast as that derived from a well-cultivated garden. I have referred to the contributions from (1) the producer; (2) the consumer; and (3) the gardener. Now then, the Government.

The Government must not take agricultural labourers from the soil. Well I remember October 19, 1917, when an immense effort was made to find skilled ploughmen in the Army. A great combat took place on a domain from the Board of Agriculture for 10,000 skilled ploughmen.

Within a month there was an insistent plea to the War Cabinet for more ploughmen and more labourers. For a most wasteful situation had arisen. The farmers had been situated to increase production. Now they were left without the supplies of labour, and their efforts were frustrated on that account.

This time let us avoid that mistake. Let us escape that error.

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EVERY available man must be turned to agricultural pursuits. Labourers must be called back not only from the Army, but also from the frontiers. Wherever found he should be persuaded to return at once to the cultivation of the soil.

It will be said that economic conditions in the country districts stand in the way. Nothing of the sort. The fact is that the farmers of Britain who have strayed from the soil that the defence of their country urgently necessitates their return to the land, and they will respond with good will.

But do not ask the patriot to pay a price. Let him know that his labour will be well rewarded. That his social condition will be well provided for. And that the welfare of his family will never be neglected again.

The Government should also provide means for training women for the land. And the efforts that have so far been made to attract the attention of women to the land have failed.

Yet it must be within the resources of a good man, with powers from the Government, to establish proper training centres for women which will attract them. It should be possible to turn out such competent women workers that the farmers will be eager to employ them.

They would be especially suitable to look after pigs and poultry. And the male labour which they would replace can be directed quite easily to other agricultural pursuits.

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IN this island fortress, in this home of a stern race that has scattered its farming population so prodigally to all parts of the Empire, we can rely upon the character and fortitude of our people. They will endure. They will conquer shortages. They will face hardship, if hardship comes.

And to the sons of the sons of the Scottish farmers who have returned again over the seas to fight for the freedom of the soil of their forefathers, we can give an example of high endeavour and splendid purpose.

"This Desperado—Destructive To All" NAZIS SCREAM AT CHURCHILL'S WIDER POWERS

BERLIN, April 4 (UP).—Germany has reacted violently to the wider powers granted to Mr. Winston Churchill in the reconstructed British Cabinet.

The consensus of opinion in Berlin is that the Cabinet re-shuffle and Mr. Churchill's elevation are the prelude to an imminent active phase in the war.

Evening newspapers in Berlin bitterly attack England for granting wider power to one who Germany's describes as her arch-enemy.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine" carries the headline "Churchill's Domination of War Cabinet Destructive to All."

"Churchill's Task is Extension of War," says the "Lokalanzeiger," banner-line, while the "Boersen Zeitung" screams: "Intensified Machinations. British Action Impending."

The "Deutsche Allgemeine" adds: "What the Allies expect from this desperado is clearly indicated in the French Press."

The French are deliciously enthusiastic that Churchill's unscrupulous brutality makes possible the ruthless pursuit of the war. "The man who has now been placed in control of the Army, Navy and Air Force of England has actually also received political control of the country."

Popular Appointment
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The Cabinet changes are generally regarded here as a reshuffle rather than as a re-organization. One appointment, however, at least has been enthusiastically received by the press which caters for a large circulation.

This is the appointment of Mr. Winston Churchill, in addition to his post as First Lord of the Admiralty, to the post as head of a Committee of Service Ministers who will make recommendations to the War Cabinet. The appointment has given rise to such headlines as "Churchill becomes super War chief," "Churchill to direct War policy."

The newspapers have seized on his appointment as one of the salient facts. Only the "Daily Herald" hints that it does not feel it is enough by suggesting that it is a part-time job.

Lord Woolton Welcomed
In connection with the appointment of Lord Woolton as Minister of Food, the "Daily Telegraph" says that this appointment has been approved by the business world and forecasts that he will deal with the distribution as a past master.

This is a reference to his position as head of a big chain of provincial stores. The "Manchester Guardian" says that this appointment is one that can be wholeheartedly welcomed.

Still greater strength will be needed on the economic front before long, says the paper.

The appointment of Sir Samuel Hoare as Air Minister, taking over from Sir Kingsley Wood, has been generally welcomed. There is a general agreement that Sir Kingsley had worked extremely hard and fatigue had left its mark.

Merely Re-Shuffling
Twice in its leading article the "Times" says that other changes were merely reshuffling. The "Times" incidentally provides criticism by returning to the charge it made last September that the War Cabinet was too large to be successful.

The paper wants a smaller department to co-ordinate in war energies and hopes that the co-ordination of defence in all branches will now pass into the hands of Mr. Churchill.

The only complete disapproval of the reshuffling is voiced by the "Daily Herald" which takes Mr. Chamberlain with gross failure. He understands neither the needs of the country nor the interests of the hour, the paper says.

On the other hand Lord Beaverbrook's "Daily Express" is satisfied with all the changes. They are all good, but there are not enough of them, says this paper.

Parliamentary Comment
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Some Parliamentary comments on the Cabinet changes regret that something more has not been done to strike a note of new drive, while others are prepared to give the changes an opportunity to justify themselves.

The changes generally have not caused any stir. Greater interest is displayed in the forthcoming secret session as affording an opportunity of free expression in favour of a more vigorous policy.

Italy Impressed
ROME, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The quiet manner in which the changes in the British Cabinet had taken place has much impressed Italian political circles.

The newspaper, "Avvenire," says that it had been done without polemics and Parliamentary affray.

Generally a more vigorous aggressiveness is expected in the conduct of the war, but all political observers declare themselves unable to see how the British naval control can be made more stringent if Mr. Chamberlain's recent reticence of respect for neutral waters is to remain effective.

Screams Of Rage
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—Foreign comment on the Cabinet

Robberies By English Youth Hard Labour Sentence This Morning

A 17-YEAR-OLD ENGLISH YOUTH who admitted to a previous conviction for larceny in England and had been arrested following two robberies in Hongkong, was sentenced to a total of three months imprisonment with hard labour in Stanley Prison by Mr. E. Hime-worth at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning.

The youth, who told the police that he had been living with a Chinese girl in Reclamation Street since he left a Blue Funnel ship on which he had been employed as deck-boy, was George Bromfield.

He was charged with stealing two ladies' gold wrist watches and \$3.85 in cash, the property of Misses E. Major and A. Hyer, from Marble Hall, and with the theft from a cabin in a Norwegian ship of \$30 U.S. currency, property of Mrs. R. F. Armbrist.

Admits Charges
Bromfield admitted both charges. "In both cases, Bromfield calmly walked into the room and cabin and appropriated the property," said Det. Sgt. Nolan, who prosecuted. "He was seen, and his description in both cases was given to the police."

Det. Sgt. Nolan told the Court that he subsequently met defendant in Middle Road and took him to the C.I.D. for questioning. Defendant admitted both offences.

"As a result of further enquiries, it was discovered that defendant had previously been arrested in Hongkong by ship's officers aboard two British liners, but in each case had been permitted to go. Defendant admits that he was convicted once in England for petty larceny."

Woman's \$500 Damages Suit

**Two Portuguese To
Appear In Court**

An action, claiming \$500 damages for assault and "insulting expressions," brought by one Portuguese woman against another, was mentioned in the weekly calling-over list of cases before Mr. Justice R. Lindell in the Summary Court this morning. Plaintiff is Mrs. Carmen Maria Nunes, and defendant, Mrs. A. Nunes, both of Granville Road. Plaintiff alleges defendant assaulted her and falsely and maliciously used, with reference to her, the Portuguese words "Cabeira" and "cadeia" and other insulting expressions on two occasions in the presence of her husband, his relatives and other bystanders.

"Vulgar Abuse"
Mr. M. A. da Silva, for defendant, said the words complained of were nothing but vulgar abuse, for "Cabeira" meant she-goat and "Cadeia" outhouse.

His Lordship: One means a she-goat and the other a she-dog. His Lordship then inquired if it was likely to be a hard-fought battle. Mr. Silva replied this was apparently so, and asked leave to file a counterclaim, which was granted.

Hearing of the case was fixed for May 4. Mr. F. Wynter-Blyth represents plaintiff.

NAVAL OFFICER CHARGED

Arising out of fatal injuries sustained by Lam Shing-oh in a traffic accident when he was struck by a car in Hennessy Road yesterday, a naval officer attached to a British warship now in port appeared at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with manslaughter.

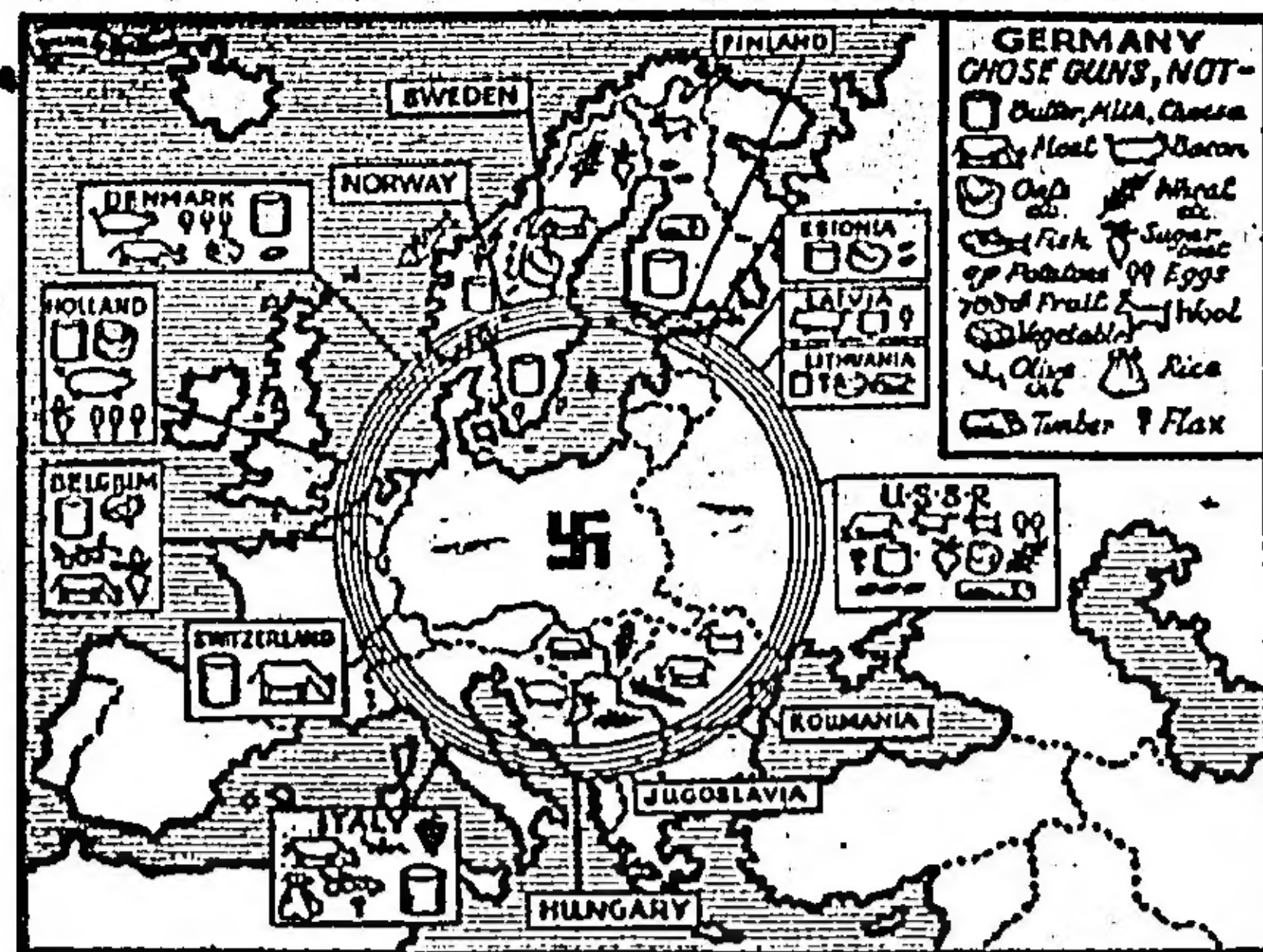
The defendant was Kenneth Duncan Bruce, aged 24, of H.M.S.

Inspector Saunders prosecuted and asked for a week's formal remand. The request was granted by the Magistrate, Mr. H. G. Sheldon. Bruce will appear before Court next Friday.

changes ranges from the scream of rage in Germany to quiet satisfaction in France.

In America the changes are seen (vide the "New York Times") as an indication that Britain means business.

In some countries it is the picture of Mr. Winston Churchill which calls for most comment, but in Scandinavia and Italy his appointment to a higher post in the conduct of the war while keeping his Admiralty post is seen as fore-shadowing further blockade measures.



This picture-map explodes the fiction that the Allied blockade is starving German women and children. All round Germany are countries which produce large quantities of foodstuffs which Germany could import. But the Nazi leaders have chosen (in the words of Goering) "guns before butter." By expending Germany's resources on war and the weapons of war, they—and not we—have put their people on short commons.

Churchill Appointment Prelude To Big Drive

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Apr. 4 (UP).—Great Britain moved towards new offensives on the economic war front to-day when Mr. Chamberlain, addressing the Unionist Association, said: "I feel ten times as confident of victory now as I did at the beginning. I do not believe the nation has ever been so completely united in the broad aims of our policy and in the determination to carry on the fight until we achieve our purpose."

New economic moves have followed closely on the Cabinet shake-up, which has boosted vigorous Mr. Winston Churchill into a dominating control position.

The developments included the following:

1.—Mr. Chamberlain's announcement of a secret session of Parliament on April 11 to debate on economic warfare.

2.—The revelation by Sir John Simon that a new corporation is being established to conduct economic and trade operations with the Balkans—the current scene of the hottest rivalry between the Allies and Germany.

3.—The Minister of Economic Warfare's statement in the House of Commons.

4.—Dissatisfaction with the Cabinet changes as voiced by the Labour organ, the "Daily Herald," bluntly charging "Chamberlain is out of touch with the mood of the nation which demands a more thorough spring cleaning in the Cabinet."

Of these developments Sir John Simon's announcement is regarded as being of major importance. He emphasised that the new Corporation will not supplant existing trade channels but will utilise them to the fullest extent.

More Optimistic Than Ever
LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—After seven months of war, Mr. Chamberlain is ten times more confident of victory than he was at the beginning.

This is what he said at the annual meeting of the Central Council of the National Union of the Conservative Association yesterday.

"This, he said, was not based on wishful thinking but on the fact that we had successfully beaten off all attempts to starve us out by attacks on shipping from raiders or aircraft, or from secret weapons or any other old thing the Nazis could think of."

Germany had been preparing for a war for years and one would have thought that she would have used her initial superiority to try and overwhelm the Allies.

It was not very extraordinary that no such attempt had been made. Whatever may have been the reason, Hitler may have thought he could get away with what he had got without fighting for it or possibly it was that his preparations were not sufficiently complete.

Seven months had enabled us to get ready to consolidate and tune up every arm of defence and to set our fighting strength so that we could face the future with a calm and steady mind.

Seven months, he said, had been of little use to Hitler because it found him with no longer a margin of strength to carry on.

Even now the Nazis were enslaving Poland, Czechoslovakia and dragging the people from their homes to work like slaves in Germany.

Our trouble, he said, was opposite. We were not yet making full use of our manpower. This was being dealt with rapidly.

No Food Shortage
Turning to certain aspects of German propaganda, he said there were German reports that we were short of food. As everyone knew we have no shortage.

Then there was the growth of sentiment by the neutral countries which compared our methods of warfare with those used by the Germans.

We may have committed technical breaches of their neutrality sometimes by accident and sometimes not by accident. But there was all the world of difference between what we had done and those terrible callous and wicked proceedings on the part of Germany who had sunk neutral ships without warning and left their crews exposed to the perils of the sea.

He mentioned the fact that Germany had not got a real friend in the world although there may be many who were still dominated by fear of her military power.

It could not be expected, however, that we should allow Germany in-

World Press On Premier & White Paper

Sympathies Remain
With Allies

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The "Dagens Nyheter" refers to Mr. Chamberlain's speech as dispelling all previous doubt of the effectiveness of the democracies against the totalitarian states. It stresses the strength of M. Reynaud's government, and the determined co-operation of the French and British Governments to take the initiative.

The "Social Democrat" connects the publication of the White Paper with the German fear that Allied superiority in the air may come at the end of the year. The Germans may attempt an air offensive now, but such an attack on England and France may very well lead to the complete switch-over of American opinion since it is well-known that the bombing of civilian towns is the American people's nightmare.

Likely American Reactions

The paper further argues that even if these documents should influence the result of the presidential election to the disadvantage of President Roosevelt, they are not likely to alter the line of American foreign policy.

"As regards the United States attitude in South America and the Pacific Ocean, American interest for the existence of the British Empire is so strong that a serious threat to this would cause a violent reaction among the American people—regardless of who should be in the position of President. It is, therefore, not so certain that a defeat of Roosevelt and the Democrats would in any way change American foreign policy, but it will be interesting to see if the Nazis have judged the situation rightly, for Germany has now herself seen to it that the presidential election shall take place under the watch-word: 'For or Against the Third Reich, For or Against the Western Democracies.'"

The Hitler clique have certainly reason to await the reply from the American people with profound anxiety and great nervousness. For while the present American neutrality in no way can be detrimental to the success of the Allies, America's entry into the war would conclusively mean the defeat of the Third Reich."

New York Comment

The "New York Times" says that the German White Paper is an invitation to the German people to ponder on the grim fact that among their enemies in war is the richest and most powerful country in the world.

Regarding the French Yellow Book the paper says: "Whoever reads these documents will understand the grim resolve of the Allied peoples that one man's will and one man's obsession shall no longer play havoc with the lives and fortunes of mankind."

The editorial shows a favourable reaction to the Butler statement on the Nanking regime and says: "The British Government now stands with America in refusing to recognise Wang. Any other decision is inconceivable when the British are fighting and aggression in Europe. The Ambassador's speech, now seen in proper perspective, was probably intended to soften the blow of British non-recognition of Nanking. It was also a rather wistful confession that Britain would like to be friendly with Japan."

The "Goteborgs Posten" says: "The German White Book smelt of Goebbels' long-way-off aims to make out Roosevelt as the man pushing Europe into war. Even if the Americans had the best reason to be suspicious of the U.S.A. it scarcely seems necessary directly to challenge the Americans. One remembers that in the last war the Germans were deaf and blind to all warnings, and continued to terrorise American shipping, until the Lusitania filled the cup. German propaganda is more intensive now but not cleverer than then. It is anticipated that the American authorities are preparing to account for German propaganda in the U.S.A. which will not be a pleasant lesson to the Germans."

Nazis Feel Blockade

The "Goteborgs Handels Tidning" states: "The blockade is already deeply felt in Germany and it is a hopeless job 'erzatzing' blockaded goods. The Russo-German treaty benefits Germany nothing. Politically the friendship of Moscow in meadowed in Berlin. Swedish iron ore is absolutely indispensable to the German war machine. Metal collecting is an ominous birthday present to Hitler. It is detestable that we should deliver raw materials to a war industry fighting the democracies upon whose victory our existence depends. England controls the oceans and our sea traffic is dependent on her consent. We have every reason to be grateful for the way she exercises her power."

The general conclusion of the Norwegian Press is best expressed by "Dagbladet," which says: "The Western Powers begin slowly to feel themselves so strong that they think the time is ripe for a more active conduct of the war. It is often forgotten that the two parties did not begin the war on an equal footing. Germany had planned her war economy for six or seven years while the others only seriously began to put themselves on a war footing one year before the war came. Moreover, it takes longer for a democracy than a totalitarian power to mobilise all its resources for a definite goal."

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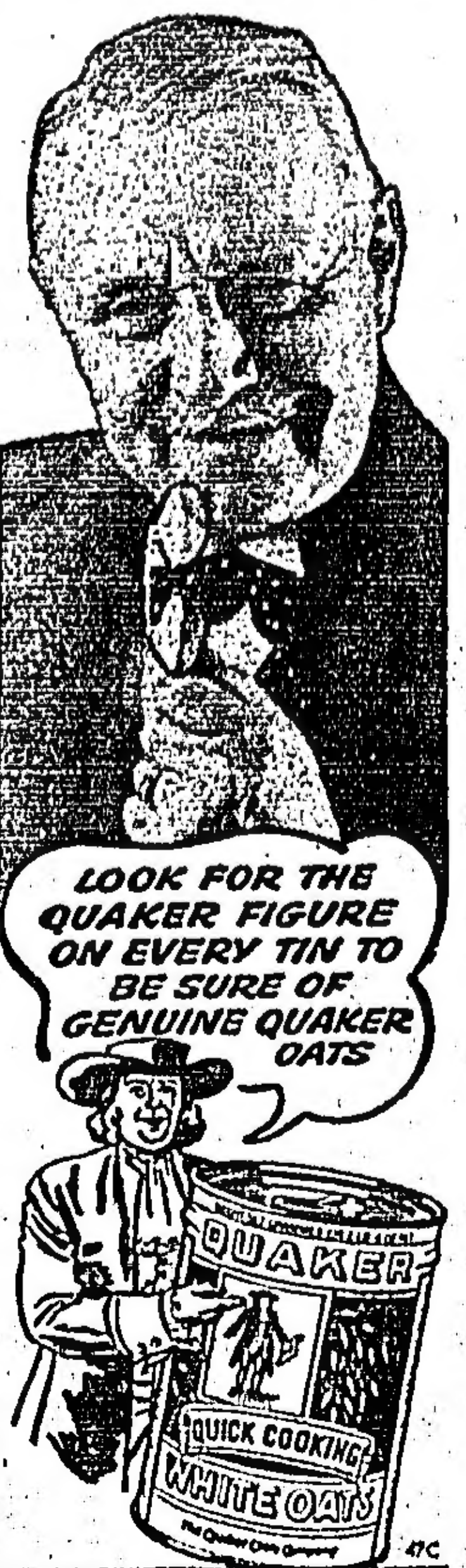
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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

THIRD EXTRA MEETING TO-MORROW

FIRST LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

THE KONGMUN HANDICAP for China ponies, the fifth race of this season, has been well responded to with 28 nominations. I have seen much bigger entries before, only to be disappointed in the end with non-acceptances.

Incidentally the first leg of the daily double in this event, and in my estimation the winner is to be found among Distinctive Time, For All Time, Gay Star, Johnnie, Oonagh, Ronson and Victoria. My best three are For All Time, Oonagh and Victoria.

GOOD MILERS IN HOBART HANDICAP

THE HOBART HANDICAP for "B" class Australian ponies, the fourth race, should be an interesting event, there being no less than 21 entries. There are a few good milers, and it is not easy to pick the best.

When they met in the Callopp Handicap run on Easter Monday, the winner (Murrumbidgee) was in receipt of 15 lbs. from the second pony, Sydney Lad, whereas to-morrow the latter has to concede only 5 lbs. for a defeat of two lengths.

Although it works out in favour of Sydney Lad, I prefer Murrumbidgee. Bruno created a great impression when he won the Cabramatta Handicap for "C" class ponies over six furlongs, but Mr. Treverton's brown gelding has been promoted to a higher standard and he will be up against a much stronger opposition. He may spring a surprise, for Bruno is well keyed for the event.

ST. KILDA HANDICAP Tarzan Should Have Easy Passage

WITH Springhurst and Australian Prince out of the road, Tarzan should have an easy passage in the St. Kilda Handicap for "D" class Australian ponies, the sixth race, but I would like to know whether the brown gelding can last another extra two furlongs over his last outing. Heinz looks good on the handicap, and I think he is dangerous.

Portrush For The Closing Event

MY CHOICE for the closing event, the Canton Handicap (second section) for "D" class China ponies, is Portrush, Piet Hein and Gold Coin, and I expect that they will cross the bar in the order I have named.

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TWO MILES' RACE FOR AUSTRALIANS

Good Response To Revival Of Endurance Contest

NINE HANDICAP EVENTS for Australian and China ponies comprise the programme of the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held to-morrow at Happy Valley, the main contest being the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies of any season over two miles.

Last longest distance run was in 1929, when Coos Bay (Mr. Hill) won the Foochow Cup, beating Town Hall (Mr. Encarnacao) by five lengths, and the time was 4.35.2/5 for two miles. In the following year the Foochow Cup for China ponies was shortened to one and a half miles, but last February the event was further reduced to one and a quarter miles.

However, very good response has been received for the revival of the endurance and stamina test over two miles, and the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies has attracted no less than 14 entries.

The Brisbane Spring Handicap was first run over the champion course of 1 1/4 miles on May 19, 1934, when Able Amazon with Mr. Butler up was the first winner. Last year Courtney Eve (Mr. Pih) sprang a surprise, beating the much fancied Lucky Lad (Mr. Needa) by one and a half lengths. The mare has been nominated for to-morrow's race, but Courtney Eve's chances of renewing her acquaintance with the judges are not rosy.

To-morrow's racing should be an entirely different affair, for it opens with a novice event, the Canton Handicap (first section) for "D" class China ponies, and the meeting will close with the second section of the same contest to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere. The run is over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, and there are a few racers with equal chances. Of the same contest to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere. The run is over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, and there are a few racers with equal chances. Of the same contest to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere. The run is over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, and there are a few racers with equal chances.

BRISBANE SPRING HANDICAP PROSPECTS
It cannot be said that there is not a good lot of stayers in the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies of any season over two miles.

To start we have Lucky Lad, the winner of 1938 Fremantle St. Leger, but the success of Baffin Bay in the same classic at the fall has not been forgotten by the men of the turf because the pony paid \$410.30 for a win.

Next comes Tornado Star, who captured the Rooty-Hill Derby in 1938, and is followed by Triumphant Day with the lowest impost. On the top of the tree is Far View, whose recent display does not require any introduction.

Supper, who went down to Far View by three-quarters of a length in the Rooty-Hill Derby about six

SECOND LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

THE SECOND LEG of the daily double is on the Fatshan Handicap (second section) for "C" class China ponies, the seventh race and the last is over 1 1/4 miles. Strathbannock has let us down badly at the Easter season, but I think Mr. Macgregor's candidate will make up to-morrow to be followed by Advancing Time and Celtic Star.

Fatshan H'cap Over Champion Course

THE FATSHAN HANDICAP (first section) for "C" class China ponies, the third race, is over the champion course, but I am afraid that there are a few ponies which will not be able to last the distance.

Musketier, Oak Bay, Rose Evelyn and Rose Flana have rejoined their old section, and none of them is yet due for a win. I fancy Just In Time with Boolat Bay and Tampa Bay to follow in the rear.

Sprinters To Watch In Broken Hill Handicaps

I AM SURE that students of form will not hesitate to back Flying Dutchman, Many Thanks and Springhurst in the eighth race, the Broken Hill Handicap over six furlongs, but be careful with Fair Chance, Franklin and Princess Clara, all of whom are speedy merchants.

Badminton Singles

P.H. WONG TO MEET C. AU IN FINAL

K. L. Yong And H. Eardley Beaten At Recreio

(By "Tinker")

UNLIKE the Colony Tennis Tournament this year, the Open Badminton championships have featured excellent matches almost from the first round, and at the Club de Recreio last night, the semi-finals of the singles, P. H. Wong v. K. L. Yong and C. Au v. H. Eardley, in no way lowered the standards previously set. Both matches were decided in straight games, but they were games replete with excitement.

P. H. Wong beat K. L. Yong 17-14, 15-3, and C. Au beat H. Eardley 15-10, 15-11. To most people, the Au-Eardley match may have been the more thrilling, but for brilliantly bewildering tactics and stroke-play I would give the palm to Wong and Yong for their first game.

Au and Eardley took to the court first, Au, mainly on very finely judged angle shots, ran into a 10-1 lead, at which stage Eardley came into prominence with powerful and accurate smashing. He several times manoeuvred Au to the side line, and then took the points with excellently placed smashes to the other corner. Though he collected the points at the rate of two to Au's one, he had to concede the game at 15-10.

The second game brought forth all the fighting qualities of the Chinese. Eardley led 7-2 and then 9-3, when Au began using drop shots from the baseline with amazing accuracy. He crept up to 8-10, and eventually led 11-10. These short drop shots caught Eardley almost every time. He only managed to collect one more point before losing the game.

BEST OF EVENING

THE BEST GAME of the evening, however, was the opening one between Wong and Yong. Both used every shot in their repertoire; and the extraordinary speed with which they moved about the court made one quite dizzy. Wong's great falling was his delayed pick-up off the baseline. On no less than ten occasions he tested this shot. On eight the shuttle ended in the net; on one it just managed to clear the net, and on the other an easy smash was presented to Wong. It is a shot that requires the utmost delicacy of touch to just clear the net, and the most powerful of wrists to flick the "bird" back to baseline.

Tallies were long and brought forth much applause from the crowded hall. From 4-11, Yong led 9-0,

but Wong then climbed to 12-9. Service changed hands, and Yong threw everything he knew into his last great effort, and went up to 14-12. Wong reclaimed service, and at 14-11 Yong settled at three. This, perhaps, was indication that he was feeling the strain, and it was made most apparent in the second game. Wong won all three points and the first game.

There was nothing to the second. Yong was quite exhausted, and offered little resistance.

Colony Tennis

RUMJAHN COUSINS ENTER DOUBLES SEMI-FINAL

IN STRAIGHT SETS, the Rumjahn cousins, H.D. and S.A., entered the semi-finals of the Hongkong Open doubles tennis tournament at the Hongkong Cricket Club, beating Pang Ol-lam and Leung Pig-chiu by 6-4, 6-4.

Though the result was a foregone conclusion, the Chinese put up a good struggle which made the game interesting. They lost out in accuracy, but held their own in several of the sustained rallies that marked the game. H.D. was particularly deadly with his volleying.

The Rumjahn led 5-1 in the opening set, but stayed there while their opponents collected three more games before losing at 6-4.

In the second set, Pang and Leung lost when they conceded the seventh and eighth games to give the cousins a 5-3 lead. Up till then play had been very even.

SECOND DOUBLES

In the second doubles match, T. A. Pearce and B. C. Fay beat Marsland Ma and T. C. Chan 6-4, 3-0, 6-4.

THE GRAND NATIONAL

MacMoffat May Bring \$480,000 To Local Ticket Syndicate

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO, the first Grand National was run at Aintree. The winner's name was Lottery—an apt name for the winner of the biggest lottery in racing. The hazards of that lottery include thirty fences, and nearly four and a half miles of country. Anything may happen, though the highest fence is only 5 feet 2 inches high, and death may attend either horse or rider.

This Grand National, however, is of interest to the Colony in that two tickets in the Irish Sweepstake were drawn for people here. The "Brewery" Syndicate, c/o. H. Ruttenjoe and Co., have drawn MacMoffat, third favourite, and have every chance of winning \$480,000, first prize.

Out of the original 59 entered, only 29 have accepted. Workman, last year's winner, has been withdrawn, as has Royal Mail. Both horses suffered from strain. This great race, however, has only been won twice by six horses. These were Peter Simple in 1849 and 1853, Abd-el-Kader 1850 and 1851, The Lamb 1868 and 1871, The Colonel 1869 and 1870, Manfesto 1897 and 1899 and Reynoldstown 1935 and 1936.

Of these famous six, it will be seen that the race has only been won twice in succession by three. It costs £100 to send a horse to the post in the Grand National, which is made up from £10 on entering, a first forfeit of £50 due on after the allotment of weights, and a final forfeit of £40. Conditions and rules for the race have been altered this year, partly on account of the war, but since it will be run over the usual course and distance, it goes down in the records as a proper National and not a substitute, as was run in 1916-17 and 1918.

OPEN TO ALL
The race is now virtually open to all-comers. Horses eligible to

Regional Soccer

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—The following were the results of matches played in the South "D" Division of the English Regional football league: SOUTH "D"

Norwich 3 Aldershot 2
Clifton O. 0 Reading 3

INTER-UNIT BOXING FINALS AT SHUMSHUIPO

Royal Scots Defeat M'sex By One Point

(By Len Collins)

(A.B.A. Champion of London, 1933-36) GOOD BOXING was seen in the Inter-Unit Boxing Finals at Shumshuiipo last night, and though the Middlesex boys lost I think they showed better training and more skill than the Royal Scots, who won by 23 points to 22.

Though the whole issue depended on it, which fact no doubt contributed to make it the most interesting fight of the evening, the final bout between Sgt. Elliot (R. Scots) and D/Mjr. Holdford (M'sex) was the best on the programme. It was a real slogging match from start to finish. Elliot won on points, but there could not have been a big margin of difference.

Pte. Bailey (Scots) and Pte. Hope (M'sex), bantamweights, opened the programme, and indulged in real hard hitting in the first round. Hope, in the second round, appeared tired, and Bailey stepped in and with a hefty blow to the solar plexus knocked out his opponent, who fell groaning. First blood to the Scots.

The next hard fight was between L/Cpl. Wiseman (Scots) and Pte. Glibble (M'sex), light-heavyweights. The latter won on points. Middlesex followed up this success with a further win in the next bout—Pte. Cavanagh (Scots) and L/Cpl. Wilcavanagh (M'sex). In both these bouts the boxers showed a good knowledge of tactics.

FASTEST SEEN
The welterweight fight between Pte. McGrady (Scots) and Pte. Gelsi

The Entries And Call-Over

7/2 Kilstar (Archibald).
10/1 The Professor (Owen).
12/1 MacMoffat (Alder).
12/1 Royal Danell (Moore).
100/8 Milano (D. Morgan).
100/7 Symonthis (Genies).
100/6 Sterling Duke (Hyde).
100/6 Rockquilla (Carey).
20/1 Black Hawk (Rimell).
25/1 Takov Pachu (Prior-Palmer).
25/1 Under Bid (Nicholson).
25/1 Bogskar (M. Jones).
35/1 Inverloch (Hogan).
Dunhill Castle (Wilson). Red
Engle (Elder). Dominick's Cross
(Mitchell) Away (Muir). Venture
some Knight (Tweddle). Lightham
(Black). Le Cygne (O'Grady). Boyo
(R. Morgan). National Night (H. Jones). Corn Law (McNeill). Lux-
borough (Brown). Luzy Boals
(Ward). Bachelor Prince (Foegen-
stein). Downright (Sceley). Tuck-
mill (Kelly). Golden Arrow (Lay).
Second Act (Dowdswell). Red
Freeman (Redmond).

Last year, for instance, friends of one rider bet him \$100 to \$10 that he would not negotiate the first fence—the rider lost.

The eighteen who ran last year, and the order of their finish, are: Workman (1), MacMoffat (2), Kilstar (3), Symonthis (5), Dominick's Cross (6), West Point (7), Royal Mail (9), Bachelor Prince (10), Under Bid (11), Inverloch, Milano, Tuckmill, Dunhill Castle, Second Act, Red-Freeman, Rockquilla, Royal Danell and Black Hawk.

Workman and Royal Mail were the only two previous winners entered this year, and with their scratching, there are now none.

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 6th April, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

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ANDY HARDY GETS SPRING FEVER

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by BEATRICE FABER

Synopsis: It is Springtime in Carvel and Judge Hardy is all agog, for it appears that he is about to make a fortune from certain acreage that he owns on the outskirts of the city. Two men, Willis and Hansen have informed him that the ground contains eight percent aluminum. Judge Hardy has had a sample of the soil analyzed and the analysis confirms their report. Young Andy Hardy, however, has his mind on other things. He has quarrelled with his girl Polly, over a dashing naval Ensign who is visiting her. But next day, in class, his interest switches to the beautiful new dramatics teacher, Rose Meredith.

Immediately after Court the next day, the Judge had Hansen and Willis ushered in. He had already telephoned them of his report and now, after greeting them, he pointed on the desk and shouted jubilantly: "There's millions in it gentlemen, maybe billions."

Willis shook his head. "No Judge," And as the Judge started, he went on: "You see, sir, it isn't just a question of the soil. Let me explain. The people who already manufacture the metal aluminum have their own source of supply. They certainly have no intention of making anybody else rich."

The Judge went hollow. All these dreams vanished. "Then why did you bring me this proposition?" Willis sat down. "We want to manufacture aluminum ourselves, put up our own plant. It will run into an investment of about a hundred thousand dollars. Mark and I already have approximately fifty per cent of the money. All we want from you is your word that you'll sell us the land at a sensible price."

Slowly, disappointedly, the Judge said, "That sounds fair."

"You see," Hansen explained, "there aren't going to be enormous profits from this—but very nice, very steady ones." At the door he turned. "Thanks for your time Judge. We'll work out a suitable offer for the property. We want to get busy building the plant."

Judge Hardy nodded ungraciously. "Yes, of course." Suddenly, he jumped up. "But wait a minute gentlemen. You said something about—well, that you had fifty per cent of the money. May I ask, what about the other half? Money all subscribed?"

Willis nodded. "Approximately." "Because," the Judge said hurriedly, "to be frank, I've got about three thousand I'd like to invest in something and I thought—"

"We need about seventeen thousand," Hansen admitted. He turned to Willis. "What do you think?" "The Judge has been fair with us,"

Judge Hardy thought rapidly. Why, he could even do something for his friends, let them in on the venture along with himself. There was George Benedict, MacMahon, Higginbotham and a couple more. "I know some other men in this town who might be interested."

Willis shook his head. "This thing is too good. We won't solicit anybody."



"Gentlemen," the Judge said, bowing them out, "I feel this is an important day in our lives." The door closed behind them. He strode briskly to his desk, there was a new executive swing in his walk. Suddenly, he peered at the metal ink well on his desk, then picked it up. "Wonder if this is made of aluminum," he muttered. "If it isn't, it ought to be. Everything ought to be made of aluminum."

Then he sat down and picked up the telephone. There was just enough time before dinner to tell his friends and offer them the investment. Let's see. He'd ring

George Benedict first. "Hello George?" he said a moment later. Then, rapidly, he began to outline the new aluminum project. "Yes, it looks good, old man. Oh, that's all right," he said expansively. "don't think me—like to let my friends in on the ground floor. I'll let you know all the details tomorrow. Yes, I'm going to call MacMahon now."

That evening after dinner, the three Hardy women were assembled in Marian's room. A conference was in progress as Marian tried on one dress after the other. Her new career was to begin the next day and what she would wear was of the utmost importance.

The door was flung open and Andy stuck his head in. He looked almost fanatically serious and the earmarks of creative genius were

all over him. "Say," he began without preamble, "do they have volcanoes on the Island of Tahiti?" Aunt Milly rallied first. "I don't know, but the encyclopedia is down in your father's den."

"Thanks," he disappeared. "Wonder what he's up to now," Mrs. Hardy said. "School work, I suppose."

The door opened and it was Andy again. "What's a name for a native girl?" Marian shrieked. "Native girl?" Marian shrieked. "Say, what is this?" "What kind of a native girl?" Aunt Milly asked.

Andy's face seemed to blur all over. He was off somewhere in the South Seas. "A very beautiful

one." Then he scowled as both Aunt Milly and Marian began to laugh.

Mrs. Hardy wracked her brains and tried to be of some help to this curious child of hers. "There're some lovely Indian ones," "Indian ones. My gosh," Andy ejaculated in high scorn. "Isn't there anybody around this house that can help me? What kind of a place is this?"

"Andrew," Mrs. Hardy said, hoping an interested question would please him, "did you find out from the encyclopedia whether there are any volcanoes in Tahiti?" "No. I can't go in the den. Miss Meredith's using the telephone."

Mrs. Hardy sat up straight. "Who?" Andy shook his head dazedly. "I mean, Pop's using the telephone. Well," he said, glowering at them all, "I guess I'll have to depend on my own brains for this."

He bounded out and went back to his own room. Sitting down at his typewriter he plunged into play-writing again. Gradually the mound of crumpled and discarded sheets mounted higher and higher. Finally, he rose and began to stride up and down the room. His hair was dishevelled, his tie pulled awry. Every now and then he paused before the full-length mirror and faced himself, to check on how things were going.

The papers in his hand were labelled "Adrift in the South Seas," by Andrew Hardy, Act One. He began to recite the dialogue, using the cold monotone of an announcement over a public address system.

"We never need to worry about supplies, men. Look," he said, acting the part of the Admiral. From the corner of his mouth he muttered the stage directions. "The Admiral laughs and points out to his hero-worshipping crew a banana tree." Then he fell into his Admiral pose. "You see? A banana tree."

He spoke again from the corner of his mouth. "He looks surprised for under the banana tree is a pretty little native girl who is sleeping." Then, once more, he became the Admiral. "But who is this? God, gentlemen, what a pretty girl." More stage directions. "At the sound of the Admiral's voice, the girl wakes up, smiles at him, sits up and stretches. Author's note: I mean, she stretches her arms up but not like an exercise but just natural. The Admiral smiles at her."

He looked in the mirror again and acted. "What's your name, my girl?" But as Andy voiced the line, he stopped dead and began to mumble. "Now what's her name going to be in Tahiti, Tahaloce, Tahaloce, Tahaloce-Tahaloce, Tahaloce!"

He paused, then said again "Tahaloce!" It was like beautiful, rippling water. But would the audience like it? He tried it out. "Tahaloce," he intoned imploringly. Then his voice changed. "Tahaloce," he rasped fiercely. Then, loudly, challengingly, he shouted, "Tahaloce!"

He nodded with satisfaction. "Tahaloce," it would be.

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12.30 Two Compositions of Bach. 1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra and Ruth Etting (Vocal).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dick Foran, The Rocky Mountaineers and The London Piano-Accordion Band.

2.15 Close Down. 6.00 Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado" (Soprano) and Chorus of Girls; The Sun, Whose Rays are all Ablaze, Elsie Griffin (Soprano) with Orchestra; Brightly Dawns our Wedding Day, E. Griffin, D. Hemmingsway, D. O'Hara, and G. Baker; Here's a How-De-Do!, Elsie Griffin, Derek Oldham and Henry A. Lytton; Mi-Ya Sa-Ma, Bertha Lewis, D. Fancourt and Chorus; A More Humane Mikado, Darrell Fancourt and Chorus of Men; The Criminal Cried, A. Davies, H. A. Lytton, L. Sheffield and Chorus; See How The Fairies Dance, B. Lytton, L. Lewis, A. Davies, H. A. Lytton, L. Sheffield; The Flowers That Bloom

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In The Spring, D. Oldham and H. A. Lytton.

6.28 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.30 An Hour of Dance Music. 7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.02 Tartini—Concerto in D Minor. Joseph Szegell (Violin) with Orchestra.

8.16 Richard Strauss—Till's Merry Franks, Op. 28.—The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Fritz Busch.

8.31 Studio—Recital by Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor) and E. O'Neil Shaw (Piano). (a) Una furtiva lagrima (from "Elsire d'amore"—Donizetti). (b) Nel verde maglio (from "Loreley"—Catalani). 2. A Granada (Alvarez), Gaston D'Aquino with Piano accompaniment. 3. Quand il pleut (Poushnoff). 4. Two Neapolitan Songs. (a) Chi se ne scorda celiu (Mario Costa). (b) Nnapulltanata (delili). Gaston D'Aquino with Piano accompaniment.

8.57 D'Indy—Suite for Flute, Violin, Viola, Violoncello and Harp, Op. 91.—Quintette Instrumental de Paris.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45 Dance Music. 10.00 London Relay—Commentary on The Grand National, 1940, from Aldershot.

10.25 Variety with Todd Duncan, Elisabeth Welch, Max Miller and The Hill Billies.—Little Mountain Cabin, Pop-Eyed Pete, The Hill Billies, Confessions of a Cheeky Chory, Max Miller, River God, Drums, Todd Duncan with The Drury Land Theatre Orchestra; Harlem in My Heart, One Kiss, Elisabeth Welch with Orchestra; The Hilly Billy Band, The Hill Billies; Ophelia, Down in The Valley, Max Miller.

11.00 Close Down.

RECONSTRUCTION OF EUROPE

BRUSSELS, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—An executive of the Labour Socialist International meeting here has appointed a small committee to prepare the groundwork for a programme for the reconstruction of Europe after the war.

The Committee includes Mr. Noel Baker (Britain), M. Leon Blum (France) and M. Huyssman (Belgium).

ANKARA, Apr. 4 (Reuter).—His General Tinnaz has relinquished his post as Minister of National Defence owing to ill-health. He has been succeeded by M. Saffet Arkan, formerly the Minister of Education.

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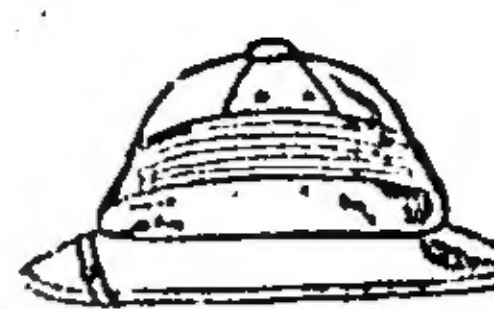
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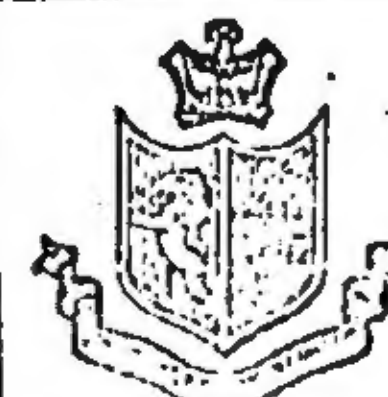
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LATE NEWS

VLADIVOSTOK BLOCKADE

LONDON, Apr. 4 (Dome).—While adhering to the legitimate rights she possesses as a belligerent country, Great Britain intends to give as much consideration as possible to Japan's apprehensions over the activities of the British navy in the Pacific, according to a statement made by a British Government spokesman to-day.

Though Britain is determined to make the best possible efforts to prevent transportation of goods to Germany via Siberia, continued the spokesman, yet she has in mind no thought of extending her blockade to Vladivostok, at least for the present.

The Japanese Government has not yet made any formal representations to the British Government on this question, added the spokesman, but the Asama Maru incident presented a question of similar character, and past negotiations between the Japanese and British diplomatic authorities have touched upon like points.

Furthermore, the Japanese authorities have often expressed their wishes that the British navy should not engage in strategic operations near the Japanese coast, the spokesman added.

Attorney General's Statement

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, the Attorney General, said in Legislative Council this afternoon, in presenting the Report of the Standing Law Committee on the War Revenue Bill:

"The Standing Law Committee, in the appendix, recommended certain amendments to clauses 2, 6, 9, 11, 10, 21, 25, 40, 44, 60 and 61 of the Bill."

"Since then, certain representations have been made with regard Clause 24. That matter is being considered at the moment."

"I lay it on the table to-day, but I understand that the Report will be gone into by the Committee of the whole Council at the next meeting."

Clause 24 of the War Revenue Bill, to which the Attorney General referred, refers to the income of clubs, trade associations, etc.

Pacific Blockade Threatened

PARIS, Apr. 4 (Dome).—The French Government will immediately apply belligerent rights over the Pacific Ocean and other Far Eastern Seas, if these waters become supply routes for Germany, a spokesman of the French Foreign Office declared.

The British Navy is now tightening its blockade against Germany in the Pacific as well as in Far Eastern waters generally.

Bitter Shanghai Elections

SHANGHAI, April 5 (Reuter).—Official support to the five official British candidates in the forthcoming S.M.C. elections has been given by the American Association committee, following a meeting yesterday.

The committee has also decided to take measures to bring out, as far as possible, the whole American vote.

American voters will be asked to abstain from voting for any other candidate but the official seven American and British candidates.

Meanwhile, the plea that the 3,350 British and American voters should drop all "family quarrels" and unite to "keep a Hongkew pattern government out of the Council is voiced by a prominent member of the American Association.

An American said: "The issue in this election is to block a totalitarian military and confederate rule, the sort of rule which obtains in most of Japanese-occupied China, from coming into the Settlement."

Three Die In Fire

SHANGHAI, April 5 (Reuter).—Three persons were burned to death and six others were seriously injured when a fire gutted a Chinese restaurant in the heart of the International Settlement yesterday.

Canton-Hankow Rly. Destruction

SHANGHAI, Apr. 5 (Reuter).—Train service along the northern section of the Canton-Hankow Railway between Tashaping, Taolin and Yangtzeville has been interrupted as a result of the destruction of the tracks by Chinese units, according to the "Shun Pao."

The report adds that the Chinese units engaged in removing the railway tracks are attacking Japanese trains.

Man Electrocuted

TIENHSIN, April 5 (Reuter).—Another case of electrocution occurred on Wednesday night when a Chinese attempted to crawl under the live wire barricade around the foreign area.

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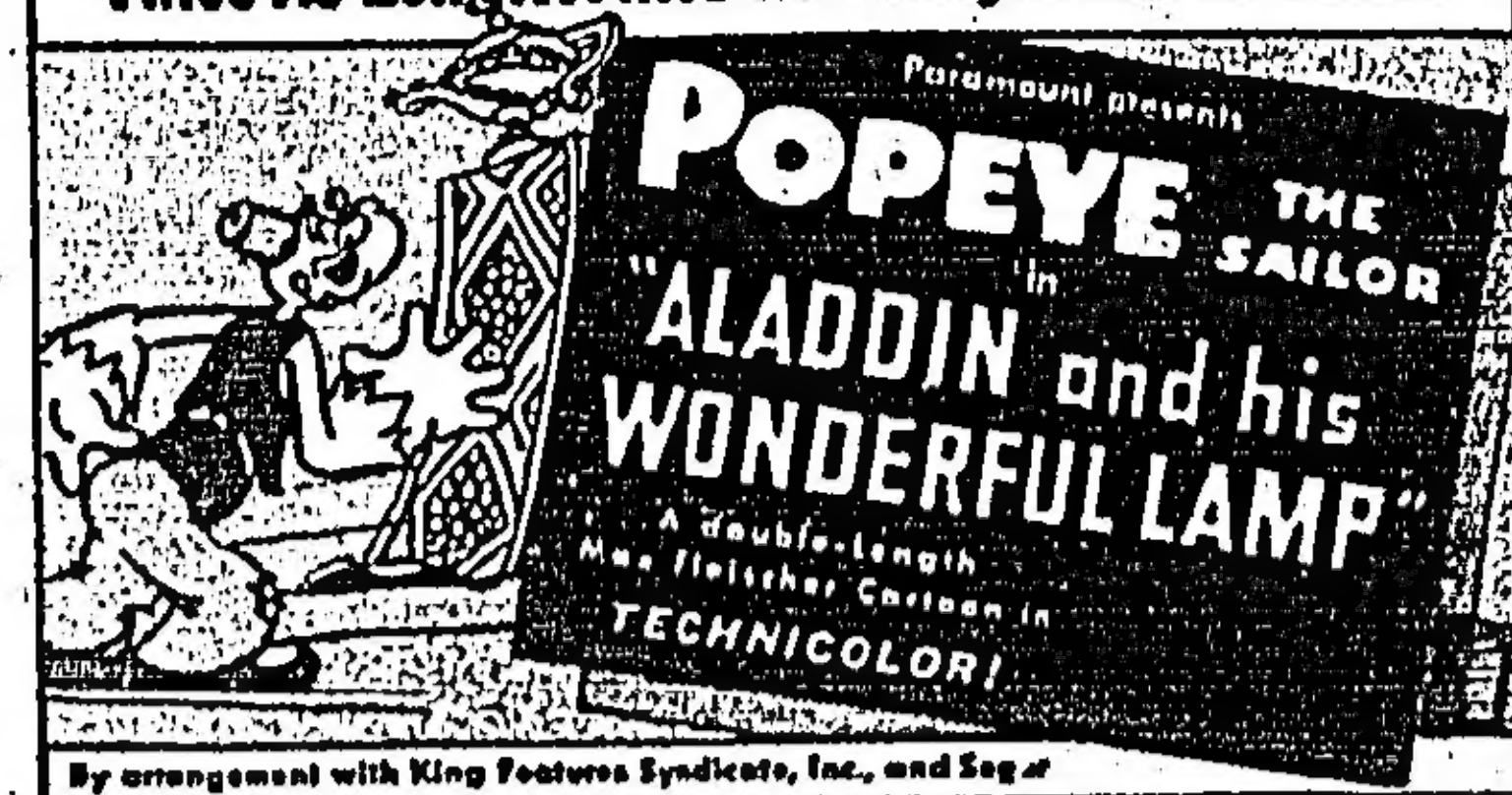
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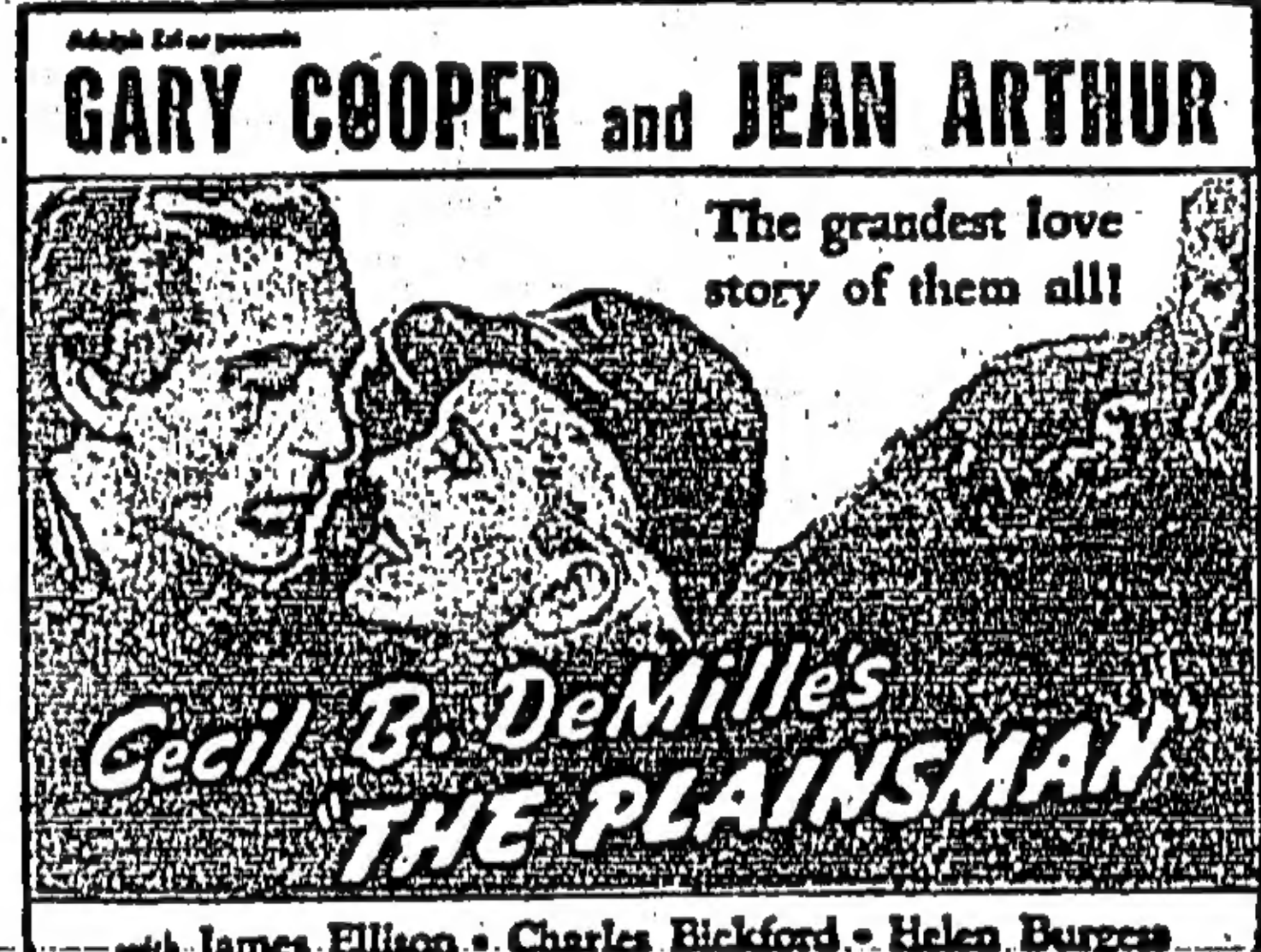
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